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Flynn Endorsed by Frank

By Jil Clark

BOSTON, MA — "There are politicians who have been brought up with certain religious beliefs, and those beliefs alone are not enough to make me discount someone who is progressive on other issues."

Those are the words of State Rep. Barney Frank, advocate of lesbian and gay rights, speaking of a man whom he has endorsed for re-election to the Boston City Council: former State Rep. Raymond Flynn from South Boston.

During his tenure in the House from 1971 to 1978, Flynn proved himself to be an enemy of gay people by voting against a bill which sought to prohibit discrimination against lesbians and gay men in public service employment. Nevertheless, Frank feels that, all things being relative, this blemish on Flynn's record should be overlooked, since "nobody from South Boston ever

voted for it except Michael Flaherty — by mistake."

However, former Rep. Flynn is best known as the opponent of women's right to choose. He co-authored the renowned Doyle-Flynn Abortion Bill, perhaps the most restrictive abortion legislation in the U.S. Vetoed by former Gov. Michael Dukakis but signed into law by Gov. Edward King last April, it precludes the use of Medicaid funds for abortion for victims of rape and incest, allowing public funds to be used only when the life of a pregnant woman is in danger.

According to Devra Krassner of the Women's Community Health Center (WCHC), a women-owned and cooperatively run clinic which performs abortions on a sliding fee scale, Flynn attempted to prevent that clinic from gaining a license. He did this by using his membership on the House Post-Audit Committee to pressure the Department of Public Health into



Ray Flynn

"harassing the center by finding some new violation of Public Health's state license requirements each time they inspected. . . . They dragged it [the licensing procedure] out for three years."

Krassner also said that Flynn attempted to discredit the center by having the Boston *Globe* print a number of articles alleging that WCHC was "illegal and unlicensed," neither of which was true.

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Police Officer Sentenced in Lesbian Beating

Compiled by Jil Clark

SAN FRANCISCO, CA — "People have a right to dignified lives. . . . You can't degrade and demean them; if you do, you degrade and demean yourself."

That was the response of San Francisco Judge Edward Stern to a plea for leniency in sentencing Police Officer Daniel Marr, who was convicted on Aug. 9 of beating Peg's Place doorwoman Alene Levine one night last March when he and a small crowd of other off-duty police officers and male civilians converged on Peg's Place, a primarily lesbian bar, shouting, "Let's get the dykes."

Stern, who is new on the bench, sentenced Marr to three years of formal probation, mandating that he report weekly to a parole officer, pay a \$1000 fine, and perform 200 hours of community service work. Stern specified that this work should have something to do with people disadvantaged by disability, sex, race, or poverty.

Amy Oppenheimer, legal intern at the office of Levine's advising attorneys, Mary Morgan and Tom Steel, told *GCN* that she felt "very positive about the sentence itself. . . . Obviously the judge took what this man had done very seriously." Oppenheimer said the judge requested that Marr report to him personally so that he can see how the community service work is affecting Marr. She further commented that the sentence was "steep for a first offender."

Man-Hating Dykes

Also involved in the altercation on March 30 were off-duty police officer Michael Kelly, civilian Kevin Guerin, bar owner Lynda Symaco, and several women who came to the defense of Symaco and Levine. Symaco was hospitalized for three weeks following the incident. She has been in pain since and is returning to the hospital this week for spinal surgery. San Francisco District Atty. Joseph Freitas refused last May to prosecute Kelly, who allegedly assaulted Symaco.

In August, Levine told *GCN* that, during the trial, Marr's attorney had tried to win the jury's sympathy for his client by portraying the women in Peg's Place as man-hating dykes from whom Marr and the officer with him were lucky to escape. "What's remarkable is that the jury convicted Marr in spite of this," said Levine.

In sentencing Marr last week, Stern made it clear that he, too, was unconvinced that the women at Peg's Place are dangerous, let alone antagonistic. In a speech which Oppenheimer described as "moving," the judge said that he refused to regard Marr's behavior "casually."

"He [the judge] showed that at least one judge takes harassment of lesbians seriously," said Oppenheimer. "The defense's attempt to show that these women were man-hating lesbians who did

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Arrests by MDC Police Reach Unprecedented Numbers

BOSTON, MA — Arrests of gay men by Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) police officers have reached unprecedented numbers recently and there have been no indications that such arrests are about to stop.

The MDC police patrol state-owned properties throughout the greater Boston area.

Arrests (usually for the felonies of "unnatural acts" or "open and gross lewdness") have been reported in Boston along the Charles River Esplanade; in Cambridge at the "Bird Sanctuary"; in Revere opposite the Revere Beach bathhouse; in Milton around the Blue Hills Reservation and in Stoneham near Spot Pond. The arrests have been made by both plainclothes and uniformed MDC officers.

In addition, Norumbega Park in suburban Weston has been the site of plainclothes "solicitation" arrests, in which a young, attractive MDC officer is alleged to have made sexual advances to gay men in hopes of encouraging a positive response. An attorney representing one such man said that the officer spent nearly an hour "cruising" one gay man before arresting him. This is the first year that MDC officers have ever been accused of this type of "entrapment" arrest.

The MDC police have consistently been one of the most problematic police forces in New England as far as gay men are concerned, although in the past, some control was exercised under the administration of former Gov. Michael Dukakis, whose high-level appointees were generally sympathetic to gay concerns. However, the MDC police union strongly supported Edward J. King in his contest against Dukakis last year, and ever since King's election, gay men have been arrested in increasing numbers and places.

The secretary and assistant secretary of Dukakis's Office of Environmental Affairs, Evelyn Murphy and Joan Tuttle (a former lobbyist for the Civil Liberties Union), kept pressure on MDC officials to refrain from such arrests. The new commissioner of the MDC, however, is an extremely conservative Water-

town selectman who ran as a "conservative alternative" last year to Middlesex County District Attorney John Droney, who is regarded as being among the most right-wing of the state's prosecutors.

Atty. John Ward presently has a case pending in Middlesex Superior Court accusing the MDC police of discriminatory enforcement of the law concerning sexual activity. Ward has sworn statements from men who have observed heterosexual couples engaged in sex around the Cambridge "Bird Sanctuary" who have not been arrested by MDC police while gay men have been. (Under two decisions of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, there is no legal difference between homosexual and heterosexual acts.) A similar situation is reported in Revere, where the area frequented by straight couples "parking" in cars is unbothered by MDC officers, but the known gay area is.

In a letter last week to MDC Commissioner Guy Carbone, Rep. Barney Frank called the new wave of arrests "a monumental waste of scarce public funds."

Frank said, "I know that there is little if any inconvenience at all caused to others by sexual activity (in the Esplanade) late at night. . . . If sexual activity on MDC parklands in the late hours is a legitimate law enforcement problem, because of noise or im-

positions on others, then it should logically lead to police action against heterosexuals and homosexuals."

Historically, the apparent obsession of MDC police officers with the sexual activity of gay men has been attributed to the fact that there is little serious crime on most

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Preliminary Ruling Issued on Gay Publications in Prisons

Compiled By Cindy Stein

WASHINGTON, DC — An unprecedented ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Barrington D. Parker will enable the plaintiffs in the case of *National Gay Task Force, et.al. v. Carlson* (Norman Carlson, Director of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons) to present their arguments at trial. Parker issued an order on July 31 dismissing a motion by the defendant's attorneys which would have prevented counsel Margot Karle from proving at trial that the Federal Bureau of Prisons employs an across-the-board policy which denies prisoners access to gay publications. Karle is an attorney with the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc.

The ruling not only blocked an attempt by the defense to dismiss the suit, but it also denied a cross-motion by the plaintiffs to accept their proof of the existence of such a policy without resort to trial. Parker concluded that a "sharp dispute exists on the central factual issue in the case — whether there is a national policy barring gay literature from the federal prisons."

Claims Set Forth

The suit, filed on May 13, 1977, sets forth the claims of four complaining parties: the National Gay Task Force, publisher of a newsletter called *It's Time, Gay Community News, Off Our Backs*, a Washington (DC)-based feminist newspaper, and *Join Hands*, a newsletter for gay prisoners published by the Inside-Outside Collective. All have had their publications refused and returned by wardens at various federal prisons.

Carlson denies that a policy exists which bans all gay publica-

tions from the federal institutions, asserting that any refusals have resulted from the individual decisions of the wardens involved. Furthermore, his claim is that these decisions have rested on the wardens' reliance upon a written guideline promulgated by the Bureau. That guideline regulates the acceptance or refusal of periodicals into prisons. It states that a publication cannot be "detrimental to the security, good order, or discipline of the institution."

The plaintiffs meet that argument, not only by furnishing proof of the existence of an anti-gay policy, but by introducing another Bureau guideline. This second directive states that a decision to ban a publication "should not be based solely on its religious, philosophical, political, social or sexual views."

What is the Policy?

Five arguments are made which favor a finding that such a policy exists and is employed.

First, in an earlier state court action, *Smith v. Carlson*, which was brought by a prisoner but contained the same issue concerning gay publications, the defendant agreed, as a stipulation of fact, that an "absolute across-the-board policy applicable to all" gay literature was in existence.

Second, in a letter by Carlson to then-Congressperson Ed Koch (in response to the latter's protestation concerning the ban on gay publications), Carlson stated that "such gay publications should not be permitted in federal institutions."

Third, the minutes concerning a policy adopted at a Nov. 1976 meeting of the Executive Staff of the Bureau of Prisons stated that

"publications concerning homosexuality are considered detrimental" to the good order of the prisons.

Fourth, the General Counsel of the Bureau, when questioned at a deposition in another case, gave sworn testimony that an "understanding" of the prohibition arose "in the discussions we've had within the office on this. In the course of that discussion over . . . three or four years, that kind of understanding was arrived at . . . I believe it was discussed with Mr. Carlson."

Finally, the policy has been carried out, as shown by the affidavits submitted by the four plaintiff publications which show a pattern of exclusion from federal institutions.

Constitutional Rights Violated

The plaintiffs claim that the policy violates their constitutional rights of free expression, association, and privacy. Other more technical arguments are also asserted.

Both parties in the suit will be involved for the next few months in further fact-finding activities. Atty. Karle will be seeking the sworn testimony, through depositions, of the former and present wardens of Leavenworth Prison and other prison officials.

Karle emphasized the importance of this case not only for gays and prisoners, but for all publishers who might include any mention of the gay lifestyle in their periodicals. She is encouraged by Judge Parker's preliminary ruling and described him as a "fair-minded judge who carefully considers the issues."

The trial is scheduled to begin on March 31, 1980.



Barney Frank has lodged a protest with the MDC.

News Notes

quote of the week

"I do a whole rap about man-hating, talk about how necessary and healthy it is for women to do this, to consider this, and I do believe that, of course. Man-hating is not like woman-hating at all. Not only is it not institutionalized, it doesn't get expressed in the same ways. and when I talk about man-hating, I don't mean that you have to personally hate every man that you know. I don't; there are men that I personally care about, that I'm friendly with, that I can spend a certain amount of time with, that I enjoy, have certain kinds of relationships with, and there are certain men I like. I don't feel it's necessary to spit in every man's face. Some require it, some don't. But I think it's very important to understand that the horrible, ugly, poisonous, destructive, terrible things in the world are almost all, if not all, created by men. And women participate with them, and if women didn't participate, of course, they wouldn't have anything."

— Lesbian singer/songwriter Alix Dobkin, addressing the crowd between songs at the Michigan Women's Music Festival, Aug. 23, 1979

new group forms in central florida

ORLANDO, FL — Gay Social Services (GSS), a new non-profit, tax-exempt group, has begun a series of programs to support local gay persons and to foster communications and understanding with the heterosexual community.

GSS has established a Peer Counseling Telephone Line which is staffed every evening by trained volunteers. GSS also maintains a speakers' bureau, representatives of which have appeared before local civic groups and on local television. A rap group, legal awareness seminars, caucuses of gay men, lesbians, and heterosexuals, and a gay blood bank account are also in operation at GSS.

Services and support for "hometown and visiting gays" are available at GSS, which has plans to expand its programs to add new subjects. For additional information, contact Gay Social Services of Central Florida, Inc., P.O. Box 4355, Winter Park, FL 32793, or call (305) 843-2750.

androgyny review is born

SAN DIEGO, CA — The first issue of *Androgyny Review*, a magazine devoted "exclusively to androgyny and left/right brain studies," has just been published. A quarterly, the magazine "is the first and only publication to explore exclusively one of the most challenging concepts for self-aware people today — androgyny and its physical counterpart, left/right brain function," said the publisher.

The magazine will feature articles which, according to publisher/editor John-David Schonbrook, "will include lay people and professionals fascinated by the idea of escaping from restrictive sex-role stereotyping." Schonbrook is also the founder and director of The Androgyny Center of San Diego.

Interested persons may contact the *Androgyny Review* at P.O. Box 7429, San Diego, CA 92107.

greenleaf wins \$1 million in lottery

Boston, MA — Prominent gay businessperson Dick Greenleaf, owner of the Green Leaf Florists in Boston's South End, won the \$1 million Massachusetts State Lottery on September 6. Greenleaf, a Dorchester resident, told the Boston *Herald American* he plans to share half the money with his longtime roommate and business partner, William Hyatt, who gave him the winning number in the form of a season ticket.

Greenleaf said he plans to "pay our bills" and travel and ultimately sell his florist business "but not stop working."

martin and lyon honored

LOS ANGELES, CA — Southern California Women for Understanding has established the Lesbian Rights Award, which is to be presented annually in recognition of outstanding contributions in the areas of lesbian, gay, and human rights. The first recipients of the award will be Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon, long-time activists, founders of the Daughters of Bilitis (the nation's first lesbian organization), and co-authors of the award-winning book, *Lesbian/Woman*.

frank to be roasted

BOSTON, MA — The Benefit Committee of the Boston Center for Adult Education will hold a "celebrity roast and cocktail party" on Sat., Oct. 13, in the Center's ballroom at 5 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. The celebrity to be roasted, according to committee chair Sheila Ryan Roy, is "the colorful and well-loved" Barney Frank.

Tickets are priced at \$20 per person and are available through Ticket Committee chair Mrs. Michael B. Keating, 4 Acorn St., Boston, MA 02108. Proceeds will go toward the Ballroom Restoration Project. For additional information, call (617) 267-4430.

eight of 'hofstede 9' convicted

MINNEAPOLIS, MN — Eight members of the "Hofstede 9" who occupied the office of Mayor Al Hofstede in July (see GCN Vol. 7, No. 5) have been convicted and fined \$50 each by Judge Tom Bergin. All were arrested while protesting the "public harassment of gays and suspected prostitutes," and especially a June raid on Big Daddy's Bathhouse.

Tom Burke, John Gilbertson, Robert Halfhill, Steve Jellison, Rebecca Rand, Patrick Schwartz, and Richard Wellner were convicted of trespassing. Tim Campbell was convicted of disorderly conduct, and an additional charge of damage to property against Campbell was dismissed for lack of evidence. The ninth defendant, Philip Wilkie, will be tried separately this month.

new march endorsements come in

UNIVERSAL CITY, TX — The Board of Directors of the Texas Gay Task Force, Inc. (TGTF), has voted unanimously to "wholeheartedly support and endorse the Oct. 14 March planned for Washington, DC." TGTF has urged all lesbian and gay Texans to "take an active part in this event, as nationally we must call for an end to all forms of discrimination against gays."

In addition, the People's Assembly of the Texas Gay Conference-6, meeting in Austin (TX), "applauded the March goals and went on record as urging participation."

Another endorsement was added to the growing list as the executive committee of the Mass. Gay Political Caucus, meeting in Boston on Aug. 29, "unanimously endorsed the Oct. 14 March on Washington."

educating ourselves

CAMBRIDGE, MA — The Cambridge Center for Adult Education has scheduled a course entitled "The Lesbian and Gay Experience" to meet Tues. evenings at 8 p.m. beginning October 30. Participants in the course will be limited to 15 persons; there will be five meetings of two hours each for a registration fee of \$25.

Described as a course "for lesbian, gay, or bisexual persons — or those who may think they are," the sessions will be moderated by Jim Schoures. Some of the topics to be covered are "growing up lesbian, gay, or bisexual," "parent's view of homosexuality," "what is sexuality," "the closet," "open-closed relationships," and "dating."

For information, contact the Cambridge Center for Adult Education, 42 Brattle St., Cambridge, MA 02138, (617) 547-6789.

milwaukee march plans set

MILWAUKEE, WI — The Committee for the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights has announced plans for transportation to Washington for the Oct. 14 march.

Four buses, including one women's bus, have been chartered and will leave Milwaukee Oct. 11, 12, and 13. Cost of transportation on one of the buses is \$57, and a deposit of \$25 is required. For additional transportation details, call Judy Greenspan at (414) 224-0422 or (414) 963-4065.

Fund-raising projects have been held, and more are scheduled. A poetry reading and a screening of the film *Gay USA* have been held, and a champagne breakfast and beer bust are scheduled for Sept. 16. A dance contest has been planned for Sept. 29.

march information center established

BOSTON, MA — An information and outreach center for the Oct. 14 March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights has been established in the Glad Day Book Shop, 22 Bromfield St., Boston. A telephone has been installed, the number of which is (617) 542-7824.

Volunteers are needed to staff the phone and an information table Mon. through Sat., and to be available to provide information to the lesbian/gay community regarding transportation to the march, housing in Washington, cultural events scheduled for the march weekend, etc.

Bus tickets to Washington will be available at several locations in the Boston area beginning next week. Organizers are holding meetings each Monday at 7 p.m. in the Glad Day Book Shop; these meetings are open to anyone who wants to get involved. On Thurs., Sept. 20, there will be a night of poster-ing throughout the area. People who wish to help with poster-ing are asked to bring poster-ing equipment and vehicles (if available) to the GCN office, 22 Bromfield St., at 8 p.m.

marching on gay radio

LOS ANGELES, CA — The Gay Radio Collective and Lesbian Sisters will present a full day of gay and lesbian radio programming on Oct. 14, the day of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. The program will air on KPFK, 90.7 FM, and will include live coverage of the march from Washington, DC.

carswell attacked, beaten

ATLANTA, GA — The Boston *Globe* reports that G. Harold Carswell, whose nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court by Richard Nixon was rejected in 1970, was reported in stable condition in an Atlanta hospital following an attack by a man he had invited to his hotel room. Carswell, 59, was beaten by the man and suffered multiple head lacerations which required stitches. Carswell reportedly told police that he met the man at the skating rink of the Omni International Hotel.

Carswell, a former federal judge in New Orleans, was arrested in 1976 in an incident of suspected entrapment (see GCN Vol. 4, No. 2). He met a man in the vestibule of a men's bathroom in a Tallahassee (FL) shopping mall, a place where merchants "had complained of homosexuals," State Atty. Harry Morrison said at the time. Carswell and the man left together and drove to a wooded area outside of Tallahassee. The other man turned out to be a plain-clothes police officer who arrested Carswell. He was charged with "misdemeanor battery" and solicitation to commit "an unnatural and lascivious act."

life sentence in malden murder

CAMBRIDGE, MA — William H. Doucette, 27, of Boston's North End, was sentenced to life at Walpole State Prison last week after being convicted of the murder of Ronald Landry, a 43-year old Catholic brother and member of the Order of the Sacred Heart of Manville, R.I. Judge Samuel Adams imposed the mandatory life sentence after a Middlesex County jury found Doucette guilty of first-degree murder following six hours of deliberation.

The jury accepted the state's claim that Doucette met Landry near the Park Square Building in Boston on Feb. 6 and went voluntarily with him to a Malden motel for sex. Once there, Doucette stabbed Landry in the back, chest, and neck.

Det. Lt. Thomas E. Spartichino of the Massachusetts State Police described the incident as "a vicious attack" against Landry, whom he described as a docile individual. The defense contended during the trial that Landry had attempted to rape Doucette, and that the killing was "in self-defense."

reproductive issues discussed

CAMBRIDGE, MA — In honor of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Margaret Sanger, the Boston chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) will present a discussion of birth control and reproductive issues on Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. The discussion will take place at 7 Temple St., Cambridge (off Central Square).

A panel of local activists will be featured, including the medical director of New England Women's Services, a member of the Women's Commission in Exile, and someone who will present an introduction to the life of Margaret Sanger.

For more information, contact Boston NOW at (617) 661-6015.

time refuses gay advertising

MIAMI, FL — *Time* magazine, which has featured gay life in America on its cover on three separate occasions (most recently in its April 23 issue), has refused "a conventional, conservative ad" for *Alive!* magazine, published in Miami.

A letter signed by Jane Griffith, Secretary, Copy Acceptance Committee, states, "Your advertisement . . . has been reviewed, and we regret to tell you that it will not be accepted for publication."

A statement issued by Christian Lange and Associates, Inc., publishers of *Alive!* said that *Time's* coverage of gay life may be "a factor that has given *Time* the largest gay readership of any other heterosexual magazine." In the statement, *Time* was termed "a maverick in the reporting of the gay rights struggle."

"The editors of *Alive!* feel *Time's* double standard for what should appear between their covers is less than straightforward. It is deceptive to run the attention-getting features on gay lifestyle while still perpetrating that tired old discrimination that denies gay businesspersons access to the public," the statement concluded.

gay images from buffalo

BUFFALO, NY — *Gay Images* is a relatively new literary magazine, the purpose of which is "to give gay people a creative voice about gay subjects."

The magazine accepts short stories, poems, art work, or half-tone photographs for consideration for inclusion. *Gay Images* is distributed free in the Buffalo area and is mailed out to various individuals around the country. So long as enough material has been submitted for publication, it is published twice annually.

For additional information, or to submit material, write *Gay Images*, c/o Tolstoy College, SUNYAB, 107 Townsend Hall, Buffalo, NY 14214.

'A landmark victory'

Handicapped Father Wins Court Fight over Custody

SAN FRANCISCO, CA — A recent decision by the California Supreme Court has been hailed as a landmark victory for handicapped parents involved in custody actions and, according to at least one observer, could be cited frequently in future lesbian/gay custody actions as well. The unanimous ruling by the high court declares that physical disability is not sufficient cause to deprive a parent of her or his children.

In a 25-page written opinion, state Supreme Court Justice Stanley Mosk, representing the court, stated, "The essence of parenting is not to be found in the harried rounds of daily carpooling endemic to modern suburban life, or even in the doggedly dutiful acts of 'togetherness' committed every weekend by well-meaning fathers and mothers across America. Rather, its essence lies in the ethical, emotional, and intellectual guidance the parent gives to the child throughout his formative years and often beyond."

The decision came in a custody dispute between William T. Carney and Ellen J. Carney, who were married in New York in 1968. After the birth of two sons, the couple separated; the father

moved to California, taking the children with him. In 1976, while serving in the military reserve, William Carney had a car accident which left him with his legs paralyzed and the use of both arms and hands impaired. In 1977, during his recuperation, he filed for dissolution of the marriage.

Ellen Carney, who had not seen the children for five years, sought custody, which was granted by Judge Philip Erbsen of Los Angeles Superior Court. Erbsen, in granting custody to the mother, ordered the father, to pay \$400 a month child support, \$1,000 for the mother's legal fees, and \$1,550 for her travel, hotel, and court costs, as well as the cost of transporting the children from the mother's home in New York when visiting the father in California. Erbsen contended that, due to the nature of William Carney's disability, he could not have a "normal relationship" with the two boys.

"He can't do anything for the boys himself except maybe talk to them and teach them, be a tutor, which is good, but it's not enough. I feel that it's in the best interests of the two boys to be with the mother even though she hasn't had them for five years,"

Erbsen said.

The Supreme Court found that the trial judge had placed too much emphasis on Carney's disability, and that, in Mosk's words, the judge was affected by "serious misconceptions" with regard to the physical abilities of parents. To assume, for instance, that Carney must be able to engage in vigorous sports with boys is an example of "conventional sex-stereotypical thinking."

"The [trial] court's emphasis on the importance of a father's 'playing baseball' or 'going fishing' with his sons," Mosk wrote, "may evoke nostalgic memories of a Norman Rockwell cover on the old *Saturday Evening Post*. But it has at last been understood that a boy need not prove his masculinity on the playing fields of Eton, nor must a man compete with his son in athletics in order to be a good father."

The high court reversed the lower court ruling and returned the case to the Superior Court for further proceedings, ordering that the best interests of the children be given primary consideration, regardless of physical handicap.

"We ... conclude," the Supreme Court stated, "that a physical handicap that affects a parent's ability to participate with his children in purely physical activities is not a changed circumstance of sufficient relevance and materiality to render it either 'essential or expedient' for their welfare that they be taken from his custody."

Workshop Analyzes Ethical Issues in Reproductive Technology

AMHERST, MA — More than eighty persons concerned about the largely male input into decision-making about human reproduction technologies met during the last week of June on the Hampshire College Campus in Amherst, MA.

Policies about the development and deployment of such technologies have been made and are still being made on the basis of advice generated by groups consisting chiefly or entirely of men, despite the fact that women constitute the major affected group. This effect was tabulated for the National Science Foundation by Dr. Helen B. Holmes in her application for the grant which supported the workshop on Ethical Issues in Human Reproduction Technology: Analysis by Women (EIRTAW).

The issue is not merely that permitting contributions by women would be just and equitable. Participants demonstrated that women's contributions uncover



Michael Thompson photo

PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ: Maxine Feldman (r) and Holly Woodlawn (l), above, hosted a benefit evening for the Mass. Coalition for the Oct. 14 March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights on Sept. 8. Some 200 people donned evening dress and paid \$15 each, or \$25 per couple, to attend a reception at a South End townhouse. From the townhouse, a caravan of limousines transported guests to the Boston-Boston discotheque, where they joined some 3,000 people (below) in dancing and making merry. Admission to the discotheque was by donation, and the proceeds will benefit local March organizing efforts. While at Boston-Boston, Feldman and Woodlawn spoke to the revelers, urging all to join them in Washington on Oct. 14. The benefit evening was coordinated by Lee Stone, who is in charge of fund-raising for the Mass. Coalition, and by Pat Lyons, manager of Boston-Boston.



Michael Thompson photo

'Tea for Two Bandit' Apprehended

NEW YORK, NY — Police in New York City have taken into custody a man known as the "tea for two bandit" who is suspected of having robbed, mutilated, and perhaps even killed dozens of gay men over the last two years. In addition, the suspect has been identified by two women rape victims.

The man has tentatively been identified as Brian O'Connor, although police believe that is a pseudonym and are still attempting to determine his real identity. He is described as a white male in his mid-to-late twenties, about 5'8", 160 lbs., with sandy brown hair and set-forward ears. He is invariably very well-dressed and initially quite well-mannered.

His standard *modus operandi* has been to meet gay men in cruising areas or hitch-hiking and go back to their homes with them, purportedly for sex. Once indoors, he asks his host to make tea and then slips a highly potent, fast-working barbiturate into the tea. When his victim is unconscious, he robs the home, but he never leaves without inflicting serious physical damage to the man who welcomed him in.

Some of the victims were found with their backs and legs slashed and dirt rubbed into the cuts. One victim had a game of tic-tac-toe carved into his back by a knife, while another man had teeth marks all over his legs and but-

tocks. All of the victims were robbed as well, a few of them losing more than \$15,000 in jewelry and cash.

Eight of the victims retained a New York private detective, Steven Frederickson, who is affiliated with Venture Investigation and Protection Services, to locate the assailant. Frederickson told *GCN* that New York police seemed unenthusiastic about apprehending the man. Frederickson himself arrested O'Connor, on Aug. 20 at the corner of Second Avenue and 59th Street, not far from New York's hustling block on the East Side.

He is presently being held on robbery and assault charges. According to Frederickson, the suspect attempted to bite a police officer while in a line-up held by New York police.

Frederickson suspects that there are probably many gay men who were victimized by O'Connor but failed to report such incidents to police. He has asked that, in the interest of the safety of the gay community, anyone who believes he was the victim of anyone resembling this "tea for two bandit" should contact Venture Investigation and Protection Services at (212) 691-4266. The more complaints lodged against O'Connor, according to Frederickson, the less likely it is that he will be released soon.

Bonin Prosecutor Receives Award

DALLAS, TX — Boston lawyer Robert W. Meserve, who prosecuted former Massachusetts Superior Court Chief Justice Robert Bonin last year in his unprecedented "misconduct" trial, received the "Award for Courageous Advocacy" from the American College of Trial Attorneys at its recent meeting in Dallas.

The award ceremony praised Meserve for presenting the case against Bonin "with consummate skills in one of the great trials of our time."

"Your demeanor and fairness

in a matter to you distasteful, the brilliance of your examinations and in a summation that will endure while the advocacy system lives, you demonstrated to the profession, and — more important — to the public, that honor is the foundation and decency the touchstone of our legal system, and conduct that is anything less is not to be tolerated in the judiciary," the award stated.

Meserve, who is a former president of the Boston and American Bar Associations, was the object of sharp criticism last year by officers of the Boston/Boise Commit-

tee, whose gay rights fundraiser Bonin had attended. At one point in the cross-examination, Meserve exclaimed, "I remember when we used to call them fairies." Meserve also spoke out against pro-gay rights resolutions while he was president of the American Bar Association.

The award to Meserve was presented by Leon Jaworski, former Watergate prosecutor, and attended by Supreme Court Chief Justices Harry A. Blackmun and Lewis F. Powell.

new factors and give different weights to traditional values. Such broadened debate could vastly improve the quality of policy decisions.

According to Holmes, speakers demonstrated that the best interests of women and children have not actually been taken into consideration by established policy-makers. Indeed, some speakers showed that the entire existence of humanity has been placed in jeopardy.

The conferees were deliberately selected for diversity in backgrounds and training, despite the risk that disagreements would arise about details. They were unified by their conviction that the need for women's input is critical and urgent.

Participants were principally women and came from 24 states. About 25% were non-professionals, many of these active in the women's health movement. Approximately 15% were physicians, lawyers, and social workers. Most of the remainder were academics from the disciplines of biology, philosophy, sociology, psychology, ethics, history, and political science.

Just as the mix of participants was atypical, so was the format of this workshop. All participants were paid the same modest honorarium, despite differences in professional status and/or precise role in the workshop. Each had worked in preparation before the workshop. Some came ready to present a paper on one issue as seen from her or his own professional and personal perspective. Other delegates had prepared responses to particular papers provided to

them the week before.

Early during the workshop, members of each topic subgroup met separately. These new colleagues, most whom had never met each other in person, discussed the contents of each other's papers and planned together for the plenary session which their subgroup would present. Subsequently, all participants gathered for a series of ten sessions. Each session concentrated on a cluster of related issues.

Holmes, who resides in Amherst, MA., and is an Adjunct Lecturer in the Biology Department at Tufts University (Medford, MA.), was Principal Investigator and Director of the Workshop. She was assisted by Co-director Dr. Janice G. Raymond, Assistant Professor of Medical Ethics and Women's Studies at Hampshire College and at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. A five-person interdisciplinary Advisory Committee helped in the selection and recruitment of participants, and in the choice of specific issues to cover.

Unique indeed was the section on "Sex Preselection" organized by Raymond. Never before has an interdisciplinary team spent a half day in an in-depth analysis of the serious ethical questions raised by the emergent technologies which are beginning to make it possible to choose the sex of a baby before it is born, even before it is conceived. The question of whether it is ethical to abort a fetus simply because it is female is not the only question that must be asked in this context. One must also be seriously concerned about the potential such technologies

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Community Voices

fighting for freedom from fear

Dear GCN,

This letter is a request to all who believe that individuals have a right to relate to each other as they choose without fear of intimidation or reprisal from employers or society.

As you may be aware, since the early part of 1977, a long and grueling battle has been fought over civil and constitutional rights in Boise, Idaho. Boise is the city long remembered by gays and other human rights advocates for its infamous place in history — where in the 1950s a homosexual witch-hunt was carried out against "The Boys of Boise."

The purge continues. In 1977, six women were fired from the Boise City Police Department. Many people have thought that the issue of the firings was over; but in reality, it has just begun. Only one of four important issues has been settled. We are presently dealing with the issue of the illegal wiretap. After the court stated that it believed the wiretap was illegal, it then ruled, July, 1979, that the tapes could be used.

We have chosen to appeal this last decision in the San Francisco Appellate Court because: if the wiretap is used, then once again our Constitutional Right to Privacy is being violated.

No one individual, group or organization must be allowed to defame and abuse the rights which we hold so dear — and which must also be dear to you. Have no illusions. What has happened to us, can and will happen to others if you do not support this struggle. We turn to you when our strength and energy are beginning to ebb; to the only people we believe will help us. We turn to other gay women and men who have known fear, anger and pain.

After two and one half years of fighting for these issues of human rights, we are asking for your help. This plea for assistance is made as individuals, as women and as lesbians. To turn away from this struggle now, because of the lack of financial support, would be allowing the continued suppression of not only our rights, but also those of others.

To those who oppose our individual rights, we must appear defeated. Only with your help, only by your support and only by a show of your power can we hope to prevail.

Donations should be sent to:

Boise Womens' Defense Fund
P.O. Box 2256
Boise, Idaho 83701

To say thank you seems so small, but we extend our deepest gratitude for any assistance you can give us. We and, more importantly, the vital issues of gay and human rights, are literally in your hands. If you choose to turn away now, you will only face another victim another day.

Thank You — TIME IS CRITICAL
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violence on beach

Dear Editor:

I AM GAY and proud. I am an inner city resident who loves Rochester and I want it to be a safe place to live and to work, day and night.

We gays have not fled the inner city because of its racial or ethnic mixtures.

The beach, city streets, parks, and playgrounds, like all public places and facilities, belong to us as citizens.

Public places should not be turned over to the exclusive use of the hoodlums, punks and violent gangs every evening after dark. The pimp and hustler, the mobster and thief, those who have no love or respect for the rights and liberties of others, should not, by our default, have free rein over our public places every evening under a cover of darkness.

The gray generation should not have to lock themselves into their homes, apartments, and senior citizen towers each day at dusk. Women, children, and senior citizens should be as safe in public places after dark as they would be at high noon.

We must not allow the violent ones (or our reaction to them) to push us into arming ourselves and becoming violent ourselves, because then they would have won because we would have joined them.

We are our sister's keeper. We are our brother's keeper. As a legion of lovers, we must come out of our locked homes, apartments, cars and closets and make a greater use of our public places in large numbers, after dark as well as in daylight.

We must be more observant, more willing to get involved, more supportive, and more encouraging to all nonviolent people.

James R. Ide
Rochester, NY

friedkin's folly

Dear GCN,

Robert Etherington's commentary on the film *Cruising* and the protests against it was far too flippant (see GCN Vol. 7, No. 7, Sept. 1-8, "Friedkin's Folly"). The best reason he can think of for 1,500 gay people taking to the street in protest was that they were "made giddy by the heat." Why the uproar? Etherington suspects that "a teapot surrounds this tempest." He asks, "How disturbed should grown-up people be about all this?" "My own instincts," he writes, "tell me to laugh *Cruising* off as a stupid melodrama concocted by a hack director who will exploit anything to make money — an ultimately trivial issue."

Either Etherington's instincts were never sound, or he has cultivated a "second nature" which lets him laugh off what would otherwise hurt too much. Etherington convinces himself, and wants to convince us, that Friedkin has sinned primarily against Good Taste, and only secondarily injured gay people. The presence of a whole *class* of parasites (including Friedkin and Weintraub) who exploit pain and profit from oppression is *anything* but a trivial issue.

Etherington criticizes Arthur Bell for denouncing sins that Bell himself has committed — namely, exploiting the dark side of gay life. The criticism is not quite accurate: Bell at least attempted to deal with real human beings and the social context of certain acts. Friedkin makes no such attempt. *Cruising* portrays gays as aliens. Aliens, furthermore, as sinister as those body-snatching pods: expose a regular cop (played by Pacino) to the deadly spores of gaydom, and before you know it the cop becomes a pervert and killer.

Etherington says he doesn't detect "any of the cold, deliberate malice which permeates a film like *Jud Suess* (a Nazi anti-Semitic film)." Why trust Etherington's perceptions any more than his instincts? Cold, deliberate malice is indeed painful to confront. We had better confront it.

Etherington concedes, finally, that "the protesters do, however, raise a few legitimate points." Wrong. We did much more than raise a few points. We revealed the undercurrent of hypocrisy and opportunism in the liberal clamor about Free Speech. In America everybody does *not* have an equal right to free speech. Eleven million bucks buys Friedkin the power to speak longer and louder than the "giddiest" crowd.

And we revealed that Mayor Koch is no friend of gays, despite proclamations on paper; we revealed that the function of cops is to protect property first, and people a far second; we revealed — again! — that, as Vito Russo wrote in *The Village Voice*, "for all the clout they have, gays inside the system may as well be as dead as Harvey Milk."

People went to jail and hospitals during those protests. One man was severely beaten by a gang of cops and remains in bad shape. People like Sue Cummings, Joe Smenyak, Tom Brown, and many more — they all worked hard and took real risks in fighting this commercial *attack* on a community still emerging from silence and invisibility.

Cruising is more than an exercise in bad taste. Whether the film will actually provoke murders cannot be predicted; but there can be no doubt that it will give all of us, gay and straight, the good old messages: who has power, who doesn't, who had better watch his or her step, and who does the stepping *on*. We don't dare laugh along with Etherington; any humor here is too sinister and too sick.

Scott Tucker
Philadelphia, PA

endorsements

GCN:

At risk of explaining the obvious, I write this letter so that everyone may be made aware of the pathetic, *face-saving* nature of NGTF's recent endorsement of the National March on Washington.

The reason they now offer for their long-delayed endorsement — that they were concerned that lesbians and third world people would be less than adequately represented — looks good on paper, but is just plain old bullshit when one takes a look at the facts. From the very beginning of the March organizing, a policy was adopted and strictly observed which guaranteed gender-parity, third world quotas, and a regional, grass-roots structure; a more conscientious effort to guarantee a heterogeneous March could not have been made. So strictly was this policy observed that, at the Houston Conference, the delegation from Massachusetts was denied participation in the voting process until they could satisfy the third world quotas. So much for NGTF's "concerns" about lesbian and third world visibility.

The bandwagon effect is alive and well and demonstrated by NGTF's belabored endorsement. For your pitiful, eleventh hour endorsement, thanks, but no thanks.

From the grassroots,
Scott R. Alpert
San Francisco, CA

save the queens

Dear Friends:

I don't often get around to writing letters to editors, usually because I'm too busy reading them myself. But I felt compelled to write to you to compliment Gregg Howe's exquisite humor article headlined "God Save the Queen" in your Sept. 1 and 8 issue.

This article was one of the most genuinely amusing, insightful, social-commentating and revealing pieces of literature I have seen in any publication (much less a gay publication) in *ages*. We passed the article around the office and each individual was more tickled at Howe's humor than the last.

Please encourage Mr. Howe to write more, and more, and more for your fine newspaper — and if he ever moves to Chicago, PLEASE tell him he would be welcomed by us with open arms.

Yours in the wonderful wacky world
of gay journalism,
Sarah Craig, Co-Editor
GayLife newspaper
Chicago, IL

fighting racism

Dear GCN:

As a new (second-time) subscriber, I want to tell you how impressed I am with your paper. I hadn't read it much in the past three years since I left New England. I really like the changes I see!

I am especially glad to see all the coverage of race-related issues this summer. This is brought sharply to mind by this week's Letters column (Sept. 1-8) which contains letters on *three* different issues of gay-black relations.

The issue of gay "gentrification" of formerly Third-World neighborhoods in San Francisco is of significance to all of us, as gay people seek to make safer spaces for ourselves in the cities. Similar things are going on in Philadelphia, and no doubt in other cities. I was embarrassed at the insensitivity of Reed Vernon's letter in August, denying that it happens. Of course it does! And thank you for Jade's rebuttal this week.

Like Lynne Brandon, I was puzzled by your printing only a picture of a white woman in an article on the Black Women's Poetry Weekend. That was an unfortunate example of closet racism. On the other hand, your continuing articles about this year's Boston Gay Pride Rally (reprinting the speeches, etc.) are just excellent. So much good thinking is going on among your writers and readers — not letting people like Mitzel or Reed Vernon silence you!

As a gay activist who's also committed to fighting racism, I'm very glad to see I'm not alone! Face it, there's a lot of racism in the gay community and we can't just sweep it under the rug.

Keep up your excellent writing and coverage.
Love and struggle,
Jeff Keith
Philadelphia, PA

in black and white

Dear GCN,

Though the editors may be reluctant to devote space to defending each week's paper in subsequent issues, Lynne S. Brandon's well-meant criticism of the illustrations to an article published several weeks ago deserves a response. Ms. Brandon was disturbed that only one photograph, of a white person, accompanied the review of a Black Women's Poetry Reading.

Ms. Brandon's criticism is based on the reasonable but mistaken assumption that the paper looks the way it does because the editors plan it that way. The editors do plan as best they can, but material is always coming in unexpectedly, or late, or not at all. The result is usually and in good part unavoidably a weekly scramble at the Thursday night layout sessions.

I remember the specific article in question quite well, because I did the paste-up on that center-spread. The Features Editor had sent a photographer to the poetry reading, but the lighting conditions were peculiarly awful and when the photographs came back only one was sharp enough to reproduce legibly — by chance, the one of Adrienne Rich. That left us with two options. We seriously considered the one Ms. Brandon would have preferred, that of printing no photograph at all. We decided against this because it would have left two vast pages of newsprint broken only by one small illustration. As any graphic design person could tell you, dense-looking pages deter readership — even among the politically correct. We were entirely aware of the irony involved in representing a white person at a primarily black event, but we felt it was more important to make the article look as readable as the content deserved. There's no pretense that the results were perfect on any count, but I hope the GCN audience will appreciate knowing that what look like simple decisions can actually be rather complex.

Yours,
Jeff Ruda
Austin, TX

Speaking Out

The Name of the Game

By Ian Johnson

The Boston gay community is in a unique position as we near the September 25 primary which will select the two finalists for the office of mayor. Even the straight media is taking note of the courting of the gay vote and its potential to affect the outcome. For once we actually have a number of choices. Three of the four major contenders have proven records of support. In a sense, it would appear that we cannot lose. *The danger is that we can easily fail to take full advantage of the situation.*

The name of the game in successful electoral politics is the building of majority constituencies by faithfully tending to their interests (or pretending to). In Boston, for a very long time, this has automatically meant courtship of Irish and Italian, Catholic, working-class voters. The gay community is, as are other minorities, regularly placated with token gestures, if not simply ignored altogether (or, even worse, used as the scapegoat). Not only are we not needed, but support of our needs could alienate more votes than it gains. Not the way to win elections.

Once in a while, however, this traditional majority block becomes divided and smaller constituencies become crucial to victory. Candidates *must* risk alienating a few of their proven supporters in hopes of gaining more than are lost. Such is the present case. Best we make good use of it, for such situations are rare. They need us. They are listening. It's hardly a time to sell out cheaply.

It's really quite simple, for the issues and personalities are secondary at this point. All polls show that Mayor White, barring a major miracle, will lead the pack into the final election. Likewise, Senator Timilty comes in second and eliminates the rest. Both have records in support of gay issues. The critical point is that whoever the two finalists are, neither is at all likely to have a majority. *The final winner will be the one who is most successful at wooing the supporters of the eliminated candidates.*

This means that if we have *already* given White our support (as he has almost become

accustomed to — and it will be easy to see since our vote is so concentrated in specific precincts), than it is only politic for him to grant any concessions to be given to constituencies *not* in the gab. These would most likely be conservative ones who perceive their interests to be contrary to ours. Same in the case of Timilty.

If, on the other hand, the gay community should *withhold* its support from either of the frontrunners in the primary by voting for Rep. Mel King, we can have our proverbial cake and eat it too. Not only do we then join with other minorities and women to repay a man who has long been there when needed — at the risk of alienating his own natural constituency — but, should King fail to make the final election, *we will still find ourselves in a much more powerful bargaining position.* Rather than being taken for granted, we will be a large part of a swing vote which has the potential to decide the final outcome. *That* is what produced Mayor Moscone in San Francisco. *That* is political power of the sort that *all* politicians understand. *That*, much more surely and quickly than liberal concern alone, will gain us the commitments necessary for the city to finally provide any number of the services provided other constituencies, ones which the gay community so desperately needs, be it funding of adequate health facilities and youth programs, or simply the knowledge that our problems will be met with the same concern as others. — Not swept under the rug until the next election.

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Toward Understanding Why Straight Youths Want To ‘Punch Out’ Gay Men

By Richard Steinman

“I like your buns.” “I want to suck your dick.”

GCN (Aug. 11, 1979) quotes witnesses who heard a few gay men thus tease straight youths with sexually provocative language on the Durand-Eastman Park Beach at Rochester, N.Y., on July 15. That evening youths attacked gay men on the same beach. Subsequently those attending an emergency meeting of the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley resolved that, though provocation did exist, the youths had no right to attack gays.

In another recent issue (July 14, 1979), GCN reports that in February several members of the Lambda Alliance of Montana State University were attacked. The alliance president is quoted as saying, “I don’t know why our lifestyle makes people want to punch us out . . .”

Earlier this year I had an experience which gave me valuable insights into this question. Perhaps it would prove helpful to some of your readers if I report it.

In April 1979 the first regional conference of residential assistants (RAs) was held at the Orono Campus of the University of Maine. Hundreds of RAs attended from universities and colleges as far away as Connecticut and New Brunswick. Among many workshops, one which I was invited to lead was entitled “Straight Talk on Homosexuality for Straights.” Since my credit-bearing course on homosexuality (at the University of Southern Maine (Portland)) attracts extremely few straight males, I was pleasantly surprised that half of the 15-20 people in attendance were apparently straight male RAs. The conference leadership had laid the groundwork to enable them to feel comfortable attending this particular workshop, among others.

In the course of a lot of give and take, Bill, a young man who was very handsome, very gentle and very masculine, and who attends a small private college located on the edge of a small city recounted the following incident:

He and some friends arrived at a downtown bar late one Saturday evening. All tables were occupied and a chap in his mid-twenties invited them to join him. He bought them some drinks. They had a good time together. Near closing time he leaned over and whispered to Bill, “Are you straight?” Bill thought this a synonym for “sober” and admitted that he no longer was. Whereupon the fellow promptly nimbled his ear and Bill, quickly understanding the definition, exclaimed: “Oh *that* way I am!” That was the end of the incident.

Bill explained that he brooded about it on his way home that night. By the time he

reached campus he regretted that he had not “punched the guy out.” Intuitively I sensed we were on the trail of something very helpful. I asked Bill, this utterly gentle young man, if he could explain why and he immediately replied, “Because he thought I was like a girl!”

So! The punching out is intended to serve several very important functions for the straight male approached by gays: it identifies him as a *man*; it overcomes the threat to his self-image of being treated in the way that men treat women.

With the help of the group Bill was led through considering what in the world a gay man would want to have to do with a female or, by extension, a man who reminded him of a female? He saw the logic of this argument, and of the fact that, if approached by a gay man, it is one's maleness which presumably attracts him.

Well and good. But this discussion had all of the shortcomings of an intellectual exercise. In competition with the power of “gut reactions,” intellect usually cannot hold a candle.

What was Bill's gut telling him on the night of that incident, and subsequently? I suggest that it was telling him that, in the primordial order of things, it is the role of the male to hunt, and of the female to be the quarry. Bill, himself, is presumably used to being the hunter. He is unprepared for a role reversal and, when it occurs, it causes him great anxiety centered on the notion that, for roles to be reversed, it must be that he is perceived as having the characteristics of the quarry rather than the hunter. Therefore, seized with anxiety over this threat to his most fundamental source of identity, he must *prove* to the perceiver that he has been *misperceived*.

This is Bill's contribution to my understanding of why some presumably straight males — particularly those in the throes of the uncertainties and doubts which adolescence casts upon their identities — need to flail at us in their anxiety to prove that they are men, after all.

Most teenagers have difficulties enough getting through their adolescent identity crisis. We should not, I suggest, be surprised if the attentions of some gay men cause some youths to be seized with anxiety, and to act out in consequence. I am not condoning that acting out. I am understanding it. And if any of my gay brethren join me in this understanding, we might decide to “lay off.” The teenager has enough to contend with without our muddying his waters further.

Community Voices

a. nolder ego

Dear “Community Voice”:

I thought that by escaping into semi-seclusion on the Cape this summer I might avoid encountering the “summer sillies” which seem to afflict Boston-area activists around this time every year, but Allen Young's letter in your August 25 issue persuades me that this was a vain hope.

Allen claims that “he (meaning me) attacked me (meaning him) in a newspaper published 2000 miles away.” The only thing even approximately true about that statement is the distance estimate. As long-time readers of “The View From the Closet” (now published in a number of regional gay papers, as much as 3000 miles away) will attest, I try to maintain a reflective and critical stance of events, issues and ideas which affect me, wherever and by whomever raised. It is not necessary for me to identify by name the holders of positions I think wrong-headed, and I neither identified nor attacked Allen in the column in question. No one reading the column in New Orleans or wherever could have identified Allen as the speaker involved. Hardly an attack, I should say.

He has chosen, on the other hand, to make a public identification with the comment, in a paper nationally circulated among people who,

for the most part, probably did not see the column in question and thus did not have the chance to judge its contents for themselves. He has also chosen, by insinuations which can again only be termed “cheap,” to try to discredit me by name (or pseudonym) in the same outlet (e.g. “*honest* historians” as opposed by myself, I presume, since Allen knows that my Ph.D. is in history.) Under these circumstances, I wonder (if I may be forgiven a little Episcopalian rhetoric) by whom the journalistic offense cometh?

I don't have my gay files at hand (they're the ones in the identical filing cabinets), but I also remember writing something to the effect that we had a lot to learn about rights when a gay speaker could be shouted down at a gay rally. From where I sit (and pontificate) this still seems to me to be a critical issue, though obviously Allen sees it differently. I am surprised, in all the controversy raised on these pages concerning who is whose enemy and who wrote what letter, that no one has commented on this aspect of the rally.

There is another, more general issue here too, I think. That is the matter of what kind of conduct should be expected of both speakers and audi-

ence at a gay rally. This affair was organized by a cross-section of the community, including the gay religious organizations. Allen's pride in his Jewishness is fine, and there are plenty of other forums through which he can express (and has expressed) his sense of victimization at the hands of Christians, nominal or otherwise; that's his business. Where it becomes our business is when a gay speaker at a public rally uses her/his rhetorical gifts in divisive ways which insult a large number of other gays present. Those of us who participated that night were coming together for consolation and communal renewal in the face of the tragic events in San Francisco. What we got at the start of the rally was a divisive harangue based on a private trip by a speaker who is normally considerably more sensitive and sensible than he was either that night or in his letter of August 25.

I am delighted to add the sins of “gentility” and of “old-fashioned notions of politeness” to the long list of crimes and misdemeanors with which I have been charged over the years by Boston-area radical activists. If what is meant by that is my refusal to impose my own ego on a gay gathering by brawling in front of the State

House, or my perverse rejection of the Orwellian notion that haranguing, heckling, shouting at and trying to cut off speakers at gay rallies constitutes “dialogue,” then I plead guilty as charged. The question for me is how well such behavior advances the cause of gay unity and gay pride.

In my politically incorrect and obsolete consciousness, I continue to think that a little more sinning in the direction of gentility and politeness might result in a little more general and larger participation in our groups and public occasions than the more typical state of (in Allen's words) “such a small gathering as that rally.” But the issue of diversity vs. divisiveness in the Boston gay community (and why we are no further along than we are) is too complex to be dealt with here. Ann Maguire is scheduling an October GayWay program on that theme and has invited me to participate; anyone who wants to engage in that dialogue is welcome to call the show that night.

Finally, Allen claims I have his address and phone number. I do have my little book of numbers with me, have consulted it, and must in all honesty report to you that he flatters himself.

Genteelly, A. Nolder Gay
North Truro, MA

Frank Endorses Flynn

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(The clinic was operating legally under a "Doctor's Office License.")

Asked by *GCN* to explain why he is endorsing Flynn for reelection, Frank replied, "On issues that come before the City Council, Flynn is the most progressive. . . . The City Council has absolutely nothing to do with abortion."

Jean Weinburg of the Massachusetts Organization for the Reform of Abortion Laws (MORAL) thinks otherwise: "City Councils around the country use their power to affect access to abortion." She explained that the City Council could conceivably pressure city hospitals into curtailing abortions and that the Council can affect licensing of abortion clinics. She also pointed out that it was a city government — that of Akron, Ohio — that first passed a "parental consent" bill requiring minors to get their parents' permission to have an abortion.

"One should realize that if they close all our clinics and force Boston City Hospital to stop performing abortions, they have drastically affected availability of abortions. . . ." If that were to happen, only women who could afford private physicians could get an abortion.

"I'm endorsing him for City Council," said Frank. "I don't know if I could support him for State Senate or for mayor, who has much more influence over Boston City Hospital's budget. The City Council has much more

restricted budgetary power than the State Legislature."

At the time that Flynn was a state representative, busing was an explosive issue in Boston, and Flynn emerged as a leader of the anti-busing forces. *GCN* asked Frank whether he thinks that city councillors have as little influence over racial matters as he thinks they do over abortion. Frank replied that, although Flynn had been "very much against busing, so was every other politician in the city at that time. But," he continued, "unlike other politicians in Boston, Ray has recognized that it's over. Unlike other councillors, he hasn't been agitating on race issues."

"I'm supporting Ray Flynn," continued Frank, "because, on a wide range of issues involving poor people and housing and health, he has been very progressive. He has been very responsive to neighborhoods in Boston — to the neighborhoods in my district, and I must be responsive to him because of this. I don't approve of the 'single issue' approach to politics."

Frank went on to say that Flynn "led the progressives" in their fight for rent control and against condominium conversion, saving many low income people from eviction. Frank asserted that Flynn is also a liberal with respect to Aid to Families with Dependent Children and General Relief Hospital Care.

Following the appearance last month in the Boston *Herald American* of an article on tenants' rights in which Flynn and Mel

King (D — South End), a black State Representative and Boston mayoral candidate, were referred to as "strange [political] bedfellows," a rumor spread that King was "endorsing" Flynn for reelection to his city post. King told *GCN* that he has not endorsed Flynn, although he recognizes the fact that both Flynn and Councilor Rosemary Sansone have exemplary records with respect to defending tenants' rights and fighting "condo conversion." "And I don't think that anyone can take that away from him," said King.

About Frank's endorsement of Flynn, Weinstein commented, "Were he [Frank] endorsing Ray Flynn over some other candidate who has a better record around women's reproductive rights, then I would be annoyed. But Ray Flynn is not going to make or break us on a city council. . . . that voted unanimously last year to make January 22 'Right to Life Day.' They're all pigs, so if one pig is better than another with respect to housing rights, [it can't hurt us to support him or her]."

Annie Waterflow, who worked with the Symphony Tenants Organizing Project (STOP) from 1976 to 1978, commented that "he [Flynn] is a principled man; when he believes in something, he puts himself into it. He's a bigoted person and too nuclear family oriented — that's why he's anti-abortion and that's why he's anti-busing. But he puts an uncommon amount of dedication into poor people and rent control. He uses the same wheeler-dealer tactics to get rent control that he did to get rid of abortions."

Two Arrested in Copley Square Assault

BOSTON, MA — Two Dorchester youths were arrested Friday night, Sept. 7, following a brick-throwing attack against a 49-year old Back Bay man just before midnight at the corner of Dartmouth Street and Commonwealth Avenue. The incident was the latest in a series of assaults against gay men in the Copley Square area, which contains several Boston gay bars (see *GCN*, Vol. 7, No. 8).

According to police, the victim telephoned the police emergency number, 911, immediately after being struck with the bricks. Several other witnesses provided descriptions of the suspects, and those descriptions were broadcast over the police radio. A few minutes later, District Four police arrested Byron Pimentel, 18, and a 16-year old juvenile, both of

Dorchester, and charged them with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. They were apprehended four blocks away at Arlington and Boylston Streets.

Police patrols of the Copley Square area have been increased and will be maintained as a result of these attacks, according to Lt. William Bratton of District Four.

City gay liaison Robin MacCormack told *GCN* that the present problem is not with the police, who, he says are anxious to make arrests in these cases, but with the gay victims, who fail to report crimes against them. "How are we supposed to tell the police," asked MacCormack, "that crime against gays is an important issue if gay people do not report and prosecute their attackers?"

MacCormack said he knew of

incidents in which gay men who had been assaulted in the Copley Square area merely went home following the attacks and did not report them. He also cited the case of two gay men who did report being attacked but failed to keep a scheduled appointment with police detectives to view photographs of possible suspects. "I'm getting frustrated," he explained. "People complain about attacks but won't take the first step to stop them. It doesn't do any good to call newspapers and radio stations."

Lt. Bratton said that he received some calls as a result of last week's *GCN* article, and urged persons with information about such incidents to report them, to (617) 247-4457.

Officer Suspended

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not want men in their bar and therefore provoked the attack, and that Marr and his friends were just being rowdy boys, was clearly unsuccessful."

Upon conviction, Marr was automatically suspended "temporarily." Both he and Kelly, who was not suspended or otherwise reprimanded for his involvement in the altercation, are the objects of an investigative hearing now being conducted by the Internal Affairs Department of the Police Department. However, the Police Commission voted on August 29

to close the hearing to the public. Lesbian and gay San Franciscans are furious about this.

Attorney Wilson, who is a city employee, dispelled the rumor that he would be contesting the barring of the public from the hearings. "There is no legal ground on which to contest it," he explained.

Attorneys Tom Steel and Mary Morgan have begun proceedings against Marr, Kelly, Guerin, the city of San Francisco and the Police Department on behalf of Levine, Symaco, and several other women injured in the altercation.

Unprecedented Arrests

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MDC property, thus leaving the 495-member police force to occupy time by making arrests that most police departments do not have time for. From time to time, legislative proposals have been made to eliminate the MDC police force, and to divide its responsibilities between the State Police and park rangers, but such proposals have been unsuccessful.

Frank concluded his letter, "I therefore strongly urge you to instruct your police to refrain from discriminatory law enforcement in general, and specifically to refrain from discriminatory law enforcement in general, and specifically to refrain from spending taxpayers' money and their time in arresting and harassing individuals who are causing no harm at all to the public."

Ethical Issues Analyzed

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have for sex role reinforcement, thereby supporting the very foundation of sexism.

In the session on Depo-Provera, an injectable, long-acting contraceptive, author Gena Corea and her co-panelists deplored the use of such strong drugs whose ultimate effects remain unknown. The documentation of the diethylstilbestrol (DES) case reinforced those conclusions. Speakers showed that, without consumer input, drug-marketing decisions often are motivated by desires to appear innovative, to maximize profits, and to maintain personal liaisons between drug-producers and drug-regulators.

In another session, a series of midwives representing different life-styles and five different states showed how attentive support for the mother during labor can lead to superior birth statistics.

Other topics explored in depth included: new and old contraceptives, technologies in childbirth, prenatal diagnosis of genetics defects, care of the handicapped neonate, and manipulative reproductive technologies such as *in vitro* fertilization, embryo transfer, and cloning.

During the last evening of the workshop, panel subgroups, and

some special interest groups that had formed unofficially, developed a series of resolutions. Some of these were passed by acclamation; others are being sent to all attendees on a mail ballot. A number of the resolutions recommended that, in matters dealing with human reproduction, a majority of women should be included in groups planning research and conferences, and on advisory panels and review boards.

Continuing aspects of the project include the preparation of a symposium for the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in San Francisco in early January, and the editing of the workshop proceedings for publication.

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It is difficult to discuss the issues in this year's race for mayor, because an very good and very bad things, and in the end, Kevin White himself is the on

By David Brill

GCN's Political Analyst found the issues in this election so confused that he decided that the best way to present them was in the form of a debate with himself.

White supported the re-election candidacy of the arch-nemesis of gay people, ex-District Attorney Garrett Byrne. According to a Boston *Ledger* article last month, White coerced city employees into campaigning for Byrne last year. The mayor controls the Suffolk County budget, and could have urged Byrne to halt his homophobic crusades, but did not.

When 105 gay men were arrested in the Boston Public Library last year, White and his police commissioner, Joseph Jordan, summarily denied the charges of entrapment, even though nearly half the cases which went to trial resulted in acquittals. The library arrests were a vicious attack on gay men in Boston and Kevin White allowed them to happen. Even now, one year later, as some of the arrested men are trying to have their records expunged, Police Commissioner Jordan is fighting the expungement in Boston Municipal Court, promising to appeal any pro-gay decision. The 105 men could be harassed for the rest of their lives if their records are not expunged.

After using him as a campaign plank in 1975, White got rid of Police Commissioner Robert diGrazia, shortly after being re-elected, and replaced him with Jordan, who has reversed much of the progress that had been made under diGrazia. Under Jordan, the vice squad has redoubled its efforts to make arrests for gambling, pornography, and prostitution. In addition to the 1978 library arrests, the Boston Police made a massive raid of the South Boston Cinema on Jan. 10, 1979 — the first such raid in the history of the city — and Jordan defended both actions.

After an unprecedented series of hearings last year involving brutality charges against two Boston police officers who attacked three gay teenagers near Park Square, Jordan suspended the two officer for only three months. It seems that the cops can beat up gay people, and the only thing Jordan will do is slap their wrists. Many feel the officers should have been fired.

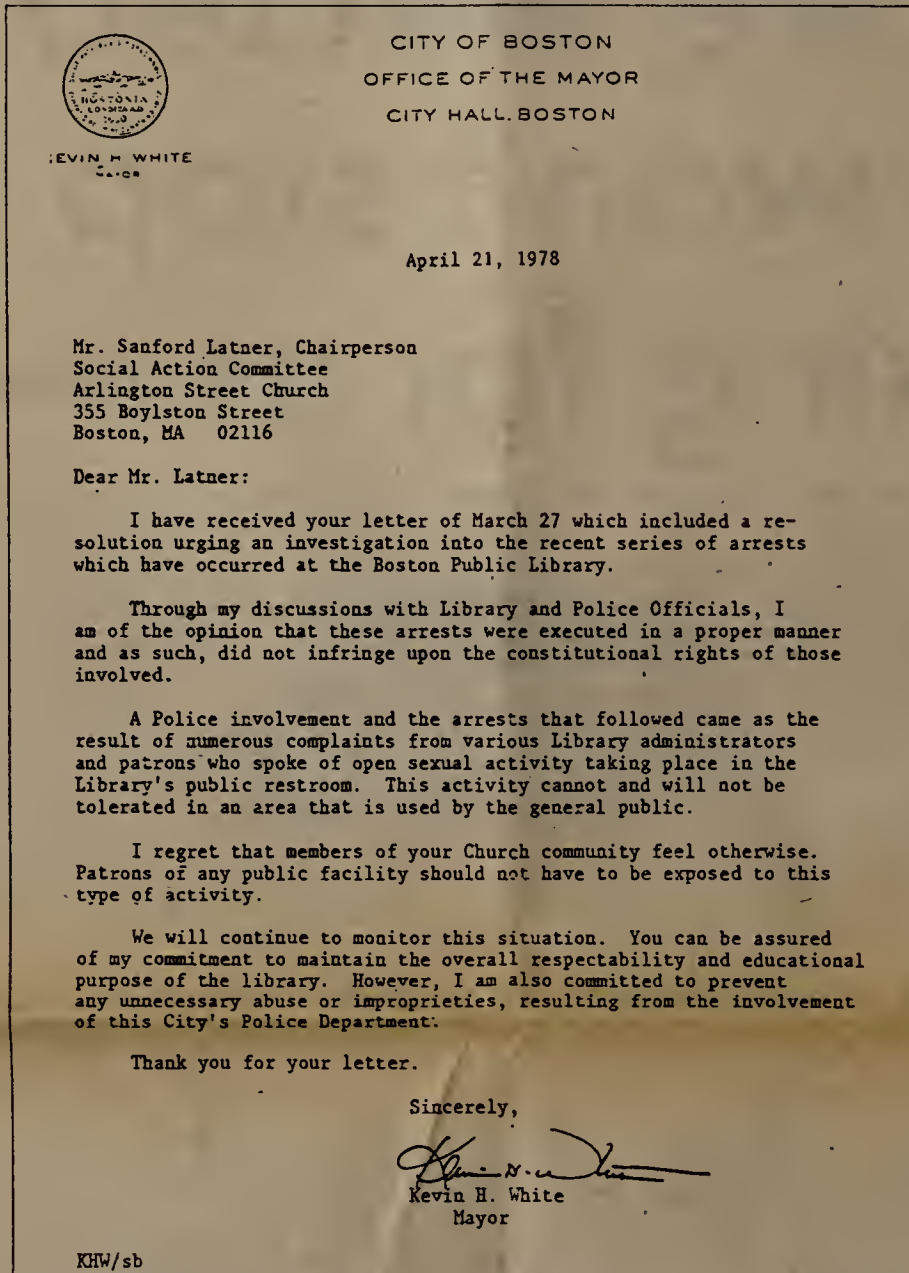
Under Kevin White, it has become less and less safe to be gay in Boston. Gays are attacked on the streets and in their homes, on the Fenway and on L Street Beach, and Jordan seems oblivious to it all. It is a sign of his priorities that the Vice Control Unit is three times bigger than the Community Disorders Unit, the smallest police unit, which is charged with investigating ethnic and racial harassment cases.

Instead of promoting sensitive, young professionals in the police department, White only this year promoted his friend, John Doyle, a 32-year veteran of the force and the quintessential cop, to the highest-ranking sworn position in the police department, Superintendent. Doyle shared an office for 16 years with Garrett Byrne and probably still shares his politics.

Jordan went to the State Appeals Court to defend his discharge of a police officer nearly five years ago for "being in the company of a known homosexual."

Since diGrazia's departure, White has increased his role in

Kevin White has been a disaster as mayor and has insulted the gay community while outwardly trying to befriend it. During the last few years of his term, when the gay community has been subjected to many attacks, Kevin White has often been on the wrong side.



running the police department by installing Stephen Dunleavy as his Special Assistant for Public Safety. Dunleavy may be regarded as the "shadow police commissioner" and runs the department from City Hall. All of diGrazia's reform "whiz kids" are gone, and White has installed in their place a collection of his own appointees, including the former head of the city's CETA program and a budget analyst from City Hall. If the mayor's pro-gay inclinations were genuine, then the treatment of gay people by police in Boston should have improved with his increased involvement, not deteriorated.

One may ask whether White's appointment of Robin MacCormack as his gay liaison earlier this year is more significant than some of the decisions made by his underlings and/or their subordinates. However, the gay liaison appointment can be viewed as political gimmickry. White was mayor for 12 years before deciding to acknowledge the gay community with a significant position. And Robin MacCormack has been harassed in that position — to the point of being moved from his City Hall office — apparently for refusing to become involved in White's re-election campaign.

The perpetuation of White's political power has become the object of Boston city government. Everything else seems to take a back seat. The welfare of the gay community was not considered, for example, when White put up his own candidate (Ann Gulo) to run against Mel King for state representative last year. King's record on gay issues is nearly un-

beatable. And when White opposed the so-called "Galvin bill" calling for reform of the city's charter in 1977, he was, in effect, taking a stand against heavily gay neighborhoods like the South End and the Back Bay, which would have gained some much-needed representation on the City Council and School Committee.

Because of the structure of the Suffolk County government, it is White who runs the racist and inhumane Deer Island House of Correction, where gays and blacks have been known to be the victims of beatings (documented two years ago in an investigation by Attorney General Bellotti). White held a gay community fundraiser at the Napoleon Club, an all-male Bay Village club that doesn't participate in the gay community but does give thousands of dollars a year in advertising to the vicious homophobic *Pax Centurion*, newspaper of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association. (The Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs has also advertised in *Pax Centurion*, which is unsurprising since White has made alliances with the South Boston Marshalls — the anti-busing group which has harassed blacks and who protected Anita Bryant in Boston last year.)

It was Donald Manson, the head of White's Youth Activities Commission who revoked funding in 1976 for Project Lambda, the gay youth project that had been run from the Charles Street Meetinghouse.

In summary, White's record on gay rights is one of tokenism and political expediency. It is a record reflective of White's commitment

to himself rather than to any notion of dignity and justice for gay people.

Alternatives

Luis Castro, the candidate of the Socialist Workers Party claims that gays would benefit under his administration. He has never been afraid to mention gay rights as an important issue wherever he campaigns.

David Finnegan, president of the School Committee, shows a lot of talent and polish. He was one of the first school committee members to accept desegregation, and he supports the election of City Council and School Committee by district. He has stressed dealing with the cause of much crime in the city — youth unemployment — and may deserve consideration on that basis, despite his rather wishy-washy response to the GCN questionnaire.

Timilty, Again

State Senator Joseph Timilty voted against a gay rights bill in 1974, but has voted in favor of similar bills since then. He has grown up a lot since the days when he decried the invasion of Boston Common by what were once called hippies. In addition to his votes in favor of gay rights legislation, he has also always opposed the death penalty. (He opposes abortion, but at least he's consistent on what he sees as a right-to-life issue, unlike most politicians.)

Timilty's greatest asset is his willingness to be open with people. In July, he held an informal get-together in the Back Bay for gay voters against the advice of some of his staff, and fielded some tough questions from the audience with a commendable

amount of tact. Kevin White never even attends candidates' nights; he sends his aides.

Timilty has a good record on issues that should be of importance to all voters, gay or not. He supported the state Ethics Commission and has fought big banks who have discriminated against urban residents. As chair of the Presidential Commission on Neighborhoods, he took a strong position on issues of interest to people of color. He is the only white candidate on the ballot this year who lives in an integrated neighborhood, Mattapan.

Timilty has upfront gay people working in his campaign in responsible positions, which shows that his administration would not be a patronizing one. He has already promised that it would have a gay liaison.

A Vote for Mel King

Space prohibits enumerating Mel King's efforts on behalf of gay people. He has co-sponsored every gay rights bill filed in the Legislature, and has filed some bills of his own to investigate and restrict the behavior of some of the city's police officers. He was the only elected official to denounce former D.A. Garrett Byrne and he voted consistently against the removal of Judge Robert Bonin last year. He has always employed gay people on his staff, not just to deal with gay issues, but on such issues as agriculture and housing as well.

He has been there when we have needed him. Mel King was the only elected official to address the rally in Copley Square on September 1 last year to tell Anita Bryant that she was not welcome in Boston. (Had Kevin White thought of that, maybe she wouldn't have come!) Mel King marched with demonstrations to protest violence against women.

Mel King as mayor will be like Mel King as legislator: forthright and unafraid to tackle difficult issues. He would make the police department allocate its resources intelligently and sensitively, unlike the way they have been allocated in the past. The right of gay people to live in the neighborhoods of their choice and to walk on the streets without fear of being attacked would take precedence over election-year raiding of adult bookstores and nabbing prostitutes. Mel King would work for the gay community, not try to make gays work for him.

His endorsement by liberal Representative Barney Frank should mean something to gay voters concerned about the direction which the city is taking. His election as mayor would be a message that would echo nationwide: that the victims of officially-sanctioned harassment are "as mad as hell" and are prepared to do something about it. Gay people could not do better than to have Mel King as mayor.

Anybody But White

Kevin White has been mayor since 1967. Neither the crime rate nor the tax rate is lower. It is still not safe to be a minority in Boston. Will it ever be? White opposes rent control even though three-quarters of the people in Boston are rentpayers. How long are the people of this city supposed to acquiesce to a city administration that is more committed to its own political fortunes than to improving the quality of life? The gay community deserves much more and much better than it has received under Kevin White.

Two Tales

public official with a 12-year record in office is bound to have done both real issue. There is no use straddling the fence, because one thing is certain:

Kevin White has the best record on gay issues of any mayor in the country today. At a time when other elected officials have been toning down their support for the gay community, he has strengthened his commitment to gay Bostonians.

One of the first Executive Orders in the country banning discrimination against gays in city employment was issued by Kevin White in 1976. At this writing, his office is drafting a comprehensive human rights ordinance for Boston which will ban discrimination on the basis of sexual preference. White is probably the only mayor in the country to have appointed five upfront gay people to important positions in his administration.

The last two years have not been especially successful for gay people: the Supreme Court's refusal to hear appeals of anti-gay decisions, Carter's dumping of Midge Costanza, who set up a meeting at the White House with gays, our own Boise right here in Suffolk County, etc. Superior Court Chief Justice Robert Bonin was forced out of office for attending a gay benefit, remember?

Kevin White has bucked that tide. He put Elaine Noble on his staff. He named Robin MacCormack as his liaison to the gay community. And, proving that MacCormack was no token aide, White has named gay women and men to three city advisory councils this year: Ann Maguire is an ex-officio member of the Commission on the Status of Women; Michael Campbell is a member of the Back Bay Architectural Commission; and Robert Connolly is a member of the Council on Drug Abuse. He wrote to the Legislature urging passage of this year's anti-discrimination legislation. City Hall has been accessible to gays under Kevin White.

This is consistent with his record on other minority issues. White has named blacks to many important positions in his administration, including deputy mayor, human rights commissioner, penal commissioner, and police superintendent. The percentage of black city employees has gone from 3% to 17% under White. In the police department, the most difficult one in which to make reforms, the percentage of blacks has gone from 2% to around 8% since White became mayor.

His record on women's issues is commendable. White was the first mayor in the country to employ women in high-level positions not considered "women's work." Today, women serve in the White administration as deputy mayor, assessing commissioner, real property commissioner, and traffic commissioner. The mayor's executive assistant — who determines much city policy and is considered as important as White himself — is a 27-year old Cuban woman Micho Spring. There were no women police officers until White became mayor: now 62 out of 2,097 officers are women, some of whom are in the new Stop Rape unit of the police department.

The police department has made reforms under White. Training, which police experts believe is the key to better minority-police relations, has been increased from a few weeks to a full year, and includes, at White's insistence, education on dealing with lesbians and gay men (see *GCN* Vol. 6, No. 47). Police Commissioner Joseph Jordan has issued orders to his officer regarding protecting gay people from violence and from official harassment. The "protective custody" law was badly abused in Boston until Jordan became Commissioner. Finally, in a case that was unprecedented locally, Jordan sus-

ended two of his own officers last year for physically attacking three gay teenagers near Park Square.

Given the state of other police departments, such as Providence, New Bedford, or the Metropolitan (MDC) Police, Boston ranks near the top. And while the climate may not be perfect, the lines of communication are open. For example, following the library arrests last year, which were mostly the result of the independent actions of four patrolmen, White's office was the scene of a meeting between city officials, representatives of the gay community, and Representative Barney Frank. The meeting produced a promise from the city that there would be no "mass raids" in the future.

A politician is often known by his enemies. *Pax Centurion*, the newspaper of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, attacks White with almost as much ferocity as it attacks gays. That has been a rather consistent fact about Boston politics: those who are against gay rights — e.g. City Counsellor Albert "Dapper" O'Neil, Ray Flynn, or West Roxbury. Representative Charles Doyle — are also bitter foes of White.

Wasting Votes

The rhetoric of Luis Castro, the Socialist Workers Party candidate, combined with his total unelectability, should convince any intelligent voter that he is exploiting the gay issue.

School Committee President David Finnegan, who appears so ashamed of his performance in that job that he doesn't list it on the ballot, seems to be too busy as a lobbyist for the tobacco industry

to respond to *GCN*'s candidate survey in anything more than a perfunctory manner.

King Good, But . . .

Many gay people worked hard, and justifiably so, on Representative Mel King's re-election campaign last year. Were he to become mayor, the Legislature would lose its only militant voice, and that would be harmful to any future legislation. Moreover, his seat might be filled by a South End "gentrification" candidate, probably white. Third World people and all minorities would stand to lose by this.

Some have argued that since Mel King will probably not become mayor why waste the vote?

Mel King has been a good legislator as far as the gay community is concerned. Kevin White has also been a good mayor and supportive of gays. Why not have a strong voice in the mayor's office and in the Legislature?

Timilty an Alternative?

The last two times he ran for mayor (he ran in 1971 and 1975), Senator Joseph Timilty made no outreach to the gay community and, accordingly, lost Ward 4 (South End) and Ward 5 (Beacon Hill/Back Bay) by margins of 2 and 3 to 1. This year, however, he is aided by Ron Catena, a knowledgeable and competent gay businessperson.

Until January, Catena was a close associate of former Representative Elaine Noble and worked hard in her Senatorial campaign. But sources report that Catena was angered when Robin MacCormack was made White's gay community liaison in January, and he went to work for Timilty.

Who is this Timilty who has

suddenly discovered the gay community? As State Senator, he is a favorite of police and firefighters' unions in the Legislature. He has consistently voted against a woman's right to choose. He admits to having recommended that a Boston lawyer convicted in the Suffolk County arson ring *not* go to jail, though the arson ring had been responsible for the deaths of many people in the Symphony area, all of them poor and many Third World, for profit. He is a Marine (he says that there's no such thing as an ex-Marine).

In 1977, *Pax Centurion* told him "Good luck, best wishes, and the money to run again for mayor." In 1978, he voted to oust Robert Bonin as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Although Timilty has voted in support of anti-discrimination legislation during his last term in the State Senate, in 1974, he voted *against* a general gay rights bill. His career is reminiscent of an observation once made by Alexander Ledru Rollins, a 19th century philosopher: "There go my people. I must find out where they are going so I can lead them."

Timilty was named by President Carter to chair the National Commission on Neighborhoods, which produced a voluminous report on neighborhood, urban, and suburban problems. In all of its 350 pages, there is not a word mentioned of the important role that gays have played in rehabilitating the older sections of certain cities, not only Boston's South End (and Charlestown), but in Chicago, San Francisco, and Washington (DC). There are pages of material on racial discrimination in hous-

ing, but Timilty's report does not include information on the problem of harassment of gay people living outside downtown neighborhoods, a problem which any gay Bostonian familiar with Dorchester would understand.

The record of Senator Timilty is clear: he is lacking in sensitivity to the gay community.

White: The Best We Have

It is easy, and understandable, for a challenger to try to knock the record of the incumbent, especially when the incumbent has been in office for 12 years. No one agrees with anyone on everything for 12 years.

Timilty, Finnegan, and King can easily criticize White about high crime rates or high tax rates in Boston. They all want more police protection and lower tax rates. But there is simply no way to add 500 police officers without adding millions more to the city's tax burden. Besides, some would argue that we do not need more police — we need *better* police, and that is exactly the direction the White administration has been taking. The city promoted more than a dozen lieutenants last year, all of them well-educated and most of them young, sensitive officers.

The challengers all promise to do more than White but cost the city less. Where are they going to get the money? Timilty complains about the size of White's public relations staff, but it is a fact that abolishing the City Hall press office would provide only money to train and hire about six new police officers and put them in patrol cars. If the press office were abolished, the people of Boston would suffer because they would not know what's happening within their city government. Would the challengers abolish Summerthing or the Little City Hall program instead? Would they cut back at Boston City Hospital or the Elderly Affairs Commission? As we learned under the Dukakis administration, when a meat cleaver is applied to a budget, it will be the people with the least power — the elderly, the needy, the gay community — who suffer.

Clearly, there are things to criticize in the performance record of Kevin White. But they have not been demonstrated to warrant the mayor's removal from office. For many Boston voters this year, it will be a choice between "the devil you know and the devil you don't."

During White's tenure as mayor, gay people have increased their visibility. Conflicts with the police are handled better in Boston than in almost any other city in the country. White has promised to retain his gay community liaison if he is re-elected. (Mayor Tom Bradley of Los Angeles, on the other hand, has already told his gay liaison, Don Amador, that funding for his job will expire this year!)

There is nothing wrong with doing things for political reasons. It's about time that politicians pay attention to the needs of gay voters and respond to them. That is exactly the way other minority groups have achieved recognition over the years, and White deserves credit for his support of the gay community. Since none of the challengers has indicated that he has the electability of White or the ability to do things *better* than he is doing, White deserves re-election.

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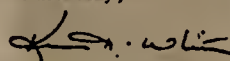
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A Gay Voters' Guide

GCN presents this Candidate Survey in conjunction with the Massachusetts Gay Political Caucus in order to inform Boston readers about the candidates who will be on the ballot in the preliminary city election on September 25. Boston's city elections are nonpartisan and the candidates nominated on September 25 will run again in the final election on November 6. The field of six mayoral candidates will be narrowed down to two; 23 City Council candidates down to 18; and 14 School Committee candidates down to ten.

The candidates' responses to the questions, which were designed to be relevant to the office sought, have not been edited or altered in any way.

This issue is Part I of GCN's special Boston election coverage. Part II, which will be presented next month, will include interviews with a number of candidates for city office, including candidates for mayor. We encourage our readers to vote, and welcome opinions and suggestions for future political coverage.

Questions for Candidates for Mayor

1. Would you issue (or maintain) an Executive Order prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual preference in city employment?
2. Would you hire (or retain) a staff assistant as liaison to the gay community?
3. Would you sign a comprehensive human rights ordinance which would include prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sexual preference, as well as other areas (e.g., race, sex, age, ancestry, etc.)?
4. Would you be willing to lease a city-owned building at a nominal fee to the gay community for use as a community center to include space for gay organizations and service agencies?
5. What is your position on proposals for charter reform to provide for neighborhood representation on the School Committee and City Council?

Luis F. Castro

1. Yes.
2. Yes, the full power of the mayor's office should be used to help the gay community organize itself in its fight for full human and civil rights.
3. Absolutely yes.
4. Yes.
5. The Socialist Workers Party supports election to the School Committee and City Council by districts in order to guarantee representation in those bodies from the Black and other minority communities.

David I. Finnegan

Mr. Finnegan's administration would not discriminate against any resident of the City of Boston for any reason. City Hall with David Finnegan as mayor will provide equal access and input for all persons, from all Boston's communities. Services will be provided and rights protected on an equal basis.

Mr. Finnegan has always supported and will continue to support district representation on the City Council and School Committee.

Meivin H. King

1. Yes, we would also encourage fair employment practices city-wide. I would not contract services for the City of Boston with businesses that discriminated against people on the basis of sexual preference.
2. Yes, we would also support the lesbian and gay community in the development of a council that would meet with the staff assistant and be included in city level decisions affecting the lesbian and gay

community. We need to provide means of empowering Boston's communities, not merely providing city level intermediaries.

3. Yes, we would also back up such an ordinance by working with community groups in creating a climate where lesbians and gay males can be more visible and can dispel homophobic attitudes. I would also expect complete enforcement of the ordinance.
4. Yes.
5. We are in favor of Charter Reform that will have election of a Council and School Committee by districts (11) and at large (4) plus District Councils with sub-areas electing representatives. (This model already exists in the South End SEPAC.) These councils would be empowered to hire Little City Hall Directors and deliver environmental and maintenance services. We would have power in all districts. Decisions about Community Development Block grants, housing development land use and planning would be made by district councils, which would have staff from the BRA to plan for and with them.

Joseph F. Timilty

1. Yes, I am opposed to discrimination in any form and will take any necessary actions to guarantee human rights for all Bostonians.
2. Yes, I support the continued existence of a high-level staff assistant as liaison to the gay community. I also intend to have an active human rights commission with professional personnel sensitive to the needs of all minorities, including staff attuned to the special needs of the gay community.
3. Yes, I believe that my answer to question one addresses this question as well.
4. The City of Boston owns a number of buildings which are underutilized. I would be willing to consider leasing available space to any community group whose activities were open to all Bostonians. Fees would be negotiated according to need.
5. I have always favored neighborhood representation on the City Council and School Committee and will introduce appropriate legislation providing for a referendum on this issue as one of my first acts as Mayor. Further, I advocate the establishment of a Neighborhood Congress which will empower smaller neighborhoods with a voice in government, as well as large underrepresented communities, such as Allston-Brighton. Community groups will be extensively called upon to assist in the development of both the referendum and the Neighborhood Congress.

Kevin H. White, Incumbent

1. I issued such an order in 1976 and have done everything possible to ensure its enforcement.
2. My Administration has already demonstrated its commitment to the concept of a gay liaison by creating such a position last January. I set a precedent through that appointment, and I intend to live up to that commitment. And, frankly, I cannot see anyone with any serious ambitions to be Mayor ignoring the special needs of this particular segment of the City's population. Any less of a commitment to the gay population calls into serious question the legitimacy of a candidate's intentions.
3. Members of my staff are currently working on an anti-discrimination ordinance to be submitted to the City Council. I will sign that ordinance if and when it reaches my desk.
4. From time to time, buildings become available to the City through abandonment or tax foreclosure. I would of course be pleased to consider proposals for

the use of such building by the gay community.

5. I remain committed to the charter reform package offered by the Committee for Boston in 1976. That package called for the expansion of both the School Committee and City Council to 15 members, District Representation on the School Committee, and the continuation of at-large representation on the City Council.

No response was received from Laurence Sherman, candidate of the U.S. Labor Party.

Questions for Candidate for City Council:

1. Would you vote to support a comprehensive human rights ordinance which would include prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sexual preference, as well as other areas (e.g., race, sex, age, etc.)?
2. Would you support the leasing of a city-owned building to the gay community at a nominal fee for use as a community center to include space for gay organizations and service agencies?
3. What is your position on proposals for charter reform to provide for neighborhood representation on the City Council and School Committee?

Edward Brooks

1. Yes.
2. Yes.
3. The City Council should be restructured to represent all Boston districts. A system that will make a councillor directly responsive to local problems in his neighborhoods. The Councillor will be accountable to his constituency and problems would be solved quickly.

Eugene Cavicchi

1. As one who has had the opportunity to observe and study the problems of our city from afar, and on occasion, to defend it from accusations of racism, it is my opinion that legislation, no matter how comprehensive, will be ineffective unless those charged with enforcing the laws are sincere in the performance of their duties. Not only would I support such an ordinance, I would seek federal enforcement of it if necessary.
2. Since most, if not every minority community in Boston has access to community centers, there is no reason that the gay community should be deprived. I support the leasing of such a city-owned building on the same terms and conditions as exist in other minority situations.
3. I would propose that representation on the Council and School Committee be proportionate to the population of the various communities. East Boston is one of the largest wards in the city, yet it has never had a city councillor while the North End has two. In the current election, there are seven candidates from Dorchester yet only one from Beacon Hill. The city charter should be changed to allow various neighborhoods to be represented, rather than excluded from representation. The situation as it now exists may be unconstitutional.

Lawrence S. DiCara
Candidate for Re-election

1. Absolutely. I support a comprehensive human rights ordinance. In fact, ordinances similar in character have been enacted in several other major U.S. cities, and I see no reason why one should not be put into effect here in Boston. Equal rights means equal rights.
2. Yes. I support leasing a city-owned building to the gay community at a nominal fee. Other community groups have had this privilege in the past.
3. I have always firmly believed

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that reforming the city charter-is essential and have fought hard to achieve that goal. In 1973 and again in 1975, I filed legislation with the Council to restructure the Boston City Council and the School Committee because there are neighborhoods such as Allston/Brighton and Roxbury which have had little if any representation. I believe that a 15-member Council with five Councilors being elected at-large with four year terms, and ten members being elected by district, with two year terms, would simultaneously ensure the representation of specific interests and guarantee that the welfare of the city as a whole be considered. I also believe in similar structural changes for the School Committee. The basic failure of our present structure strikes at two fundamental principles on which this country was founded — the diversity of its people and the rights of those people to be represented.

Stephen C. Farrell

1. Yes, I would vote to support a comprehensive human rights ordinance which would include prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sexual preference, as well as race, sex, age, etc.
2. From time to time the City of Boston does acquire property that it holds in the public's interest until an appropriate user can be found. The City also discontinues use of some property, for reasons such as consolidation of departments or agencies. I believe that it is in all of our interests not to allow any property to stand unused and neglected. We all know that such property is frequently vandalized and destroyed. I believe that there are many service organizations in the city that can properly maintain these properties, and the City ought to support such usage once the organization has demonstrated the need for

their program, gained neighborhood support, and proven their ability to maintain the property to code standards. In such instances, I would support the leasing of a city-owned building to the gay community for use as a community center and service agency.

3. As a City Councillor, I intend to initiate public hearings to discuss all aspects of the charter. Discussion must include: alternatives to At-Large City Council and School Committee representation; a balancing of power between the City Council and the Mayor so that the City Council may play its rightful legislative role in contract monitoring, line department and agency evaluation, and personnel policy review. There are many other aspects of charter reform that should be included, but the minimum is to ensure that City Council may play its rightful legislative role in contract monitoring, line department and agency evaluation, and personnel policy review. There are many other aspects of charter reform that should be included, but the minimum is to ensure that City Councilors and School Committee members play a meaningful role in the governance of the city.

Peter K. Hadley

1. I will support any ordinance that forbids city agents to discriminate against or for homosexuals. The same is true for discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, and religion.
2. No, because the city should not do this for any group.
3. The neighborhoods themselves should be cities and towns entire of themselves. If the only charter reform we can come up with is sending a local representative to beg for crumbs, it's better but not worth a lot of effort. As a libertarian, I believe that neighborhoods, and more importantly, individual people, should be able to determine their own lives and conduct.

Christopher A. Ianella
 Candidate for Re-election

1. I would have no difficulty supporting a human rights ordinance. This is already the policy of the city by reason of an executive order of the mayor. With respect to hiring, I have taken the position that public jobs should be filled by the most qualified applicant who is a bona fide resident of Boston.
2. In the past, I've sponsored proposals to provide public access to city buildings which are underutilized or surplus. For example, I sponsored a Community School Ordinance to allow organizations and agencies to use these buildings to use these buildings after school hours, and sponsored the order making Hill House available to the Beacon Hill-West End neighborhoods. Such facilities should be available to any responsible group or agency serving the citizens of Boston.
3. As a City Councillor I have tried to represent all of the various neighborhoods and people of Boston fairly and adequately. From time to time, proposals are made to change the makeup of the School Committee and the City Council. My position has been to place such questions on the ballot for the voters to decide. The last two times my vote helped place this matter on the ballot, the proposals were rejected by the voters.

Albert L. "Dapper" O'Neil
 Candidate for Re-Election

1. No.
 2. No. See if Kevin White will let you use the Parkman House. It is a public building. You would enjoy it. It is a very nice building.
 3. No. If anybody wants to run for City Council, I suggest they take out nomination papers and run for the Council. I am quite capable of doing the job I was elected to do and don't need any outside help.
- John W. Sears
1. Yes.
 2. The concept of a center seems a good one, and I would encourage its development. I do not,

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however, like to see government pushing its way into private matters. I am also unhappy about "nominal" fees unless there are no other solutions. So I would advise a real effort to locate, construct, (or better still) rehabilitate, or repair a private structure, and turn to tax-title or other city property only as a last resort.

3. I strongly support a Charter Reform Commission. If Charter Reform can be set in motion, I favor district representation for the City Council, after the Council corrects the Ward lines, which have not been updated since 1924. I also like the idea of elected ward councils. I am not, however, convinced, that district representation would improve the school committee.

Jeanette Tracey

1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. I support districting for the City Council and School Committee elections because I think it would be a step in the right direction toward a more democratic representation for blacks and Hispanics in the city of Boston. As it is presently constituted, the city-wide elections for these offices have been used to deny representation to these communities, whose needs are clearly not being addressed and won't be as long as the City Council and School Committee re in racist strongholds.

Barbara Ware

1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. I am strongly in favor of Charter Reform and neighborhood representation.

No responses were received from the following candidates: J. nes T. Brett, Stephen Cidlev h, Raymond Flynn (inc.), Louise Day Hicks (inc.), Phyllis Igoe, Richard M. Lane, Frederick C. Langone (inc.), Terrence P. McDermott, Patrick F. McDonough (inc.), David J. McKay, Peter G. McMahon,

Rosemarie E. Sansone (inc.), Joseph M. Tierney (inc.), and Charles C. Yancey.

Questions for Candidates for School Committee:

1. Would you be willing to vote to include discrimination on the basis of sexual preference as part of the School Department's equal employment opportunity for all employees?

2. Would you support the use of certain gay groups as referral agencies by school guidance counsellors?

3. Would you support the inclusion of positively-presented gay lifestyles in the school health and sex education, as has been done in other cities?

4. What is your position on proposals for charter reform in the city which would provide for neighborhood representation on the City Council and School Committee?

John D. O'Bryant, Incumbent

1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. Yes.

4. I am in favor of a Charter change which would require that School Committee and City Council positions be filled by district instead of at-large elections.

Jean M. McGuire

1. No. Although your question is not clearly stated, equal employment opportunity policy doesn't address issues related to affirmative action plans which are necessary to redress prior discriminatory practices. Sexual preference is a private matter.

2. Yes. Competent guidance counsellors should use any referral sources appropriate to the circumstances. Parental acceptance and approval is necessary in most circumstances involving agency referrals.

3. Yes. There is no excuse for the ignorance with which many of our young adults face sexual decisions. The general public forces a watered-down curriculum amounting to pap upon the public

schools, leaving much to parents. The results are not encouraging, because of the intertwining of religiosity and beliefs about sexuality and identity.

4. Neighborhood and at-large representation both have advantages. Since there is no such thing as objectivity, the special needs and interests of a geographical location which encompasses a large Black, Hispanic, or Italian population should be met. A neighborhood candidate doesn't have to try to please the total city. An at-large candidate does not have to cater to the narrow or singular needs of a specific group, even though in fact they may be dependent upon their votes. Both candidate plans must, however, address the mandate of the public schools to educate the students enrolled in the school system in the most successful manner possible. A mixture of $\frac{3}{4}$ neighborhood, $\frac{1}{4}$ at-large might be a good start. Many models have had varying degrees of success in other cities. We don't have to invent the wheel, but Boston does not have a reputation for sharing power and privilege at the local government level. If an area had an organized gay constituency, an at-large only candidate would be a poor choice because of prejudice (and private terrors). Just and fair representation is the best way to inform and educate the citizenry on rival issues. Out of sight is truly out of mind.

No responses were received from the following candidates:

Frederick R. Borelli

Paul J. Ellison

Mary D. Kelly

Kevin A. McCluskey

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Chiltern Mountain Club	227-6167
CLEARSPACE: a community center for lesbian women and gay men.	
485 Mass. Av. Cambridge	876-0215
Committee for Gay Youth,	
GCN Box 10GY, 22 Bromfield St. 02108	367-9064
Gay Asians of Boston	542-0144
c/o Glad Day Bookstore, 22 Bromfield St., 2nd floor	
Gay Hotline (3-12pm, Mon.-Fri.)	426-9371
Gay Speakers Bureau, P.O. Box 2232, Boston 02107	354-0133
Gay Recreational Activities Committee (GRAC), c/o GCN Box 8000	282-9161
Lesbian and Gay Parents Project	
21 Bay St. Cambridge 02139	492-2655
March on Washington Information	542-7824
Older and Other Gays, c/o GCN, Box 1500, 22 Bromfield St., Boston 02108	
Outreach Institute	
Kenmore Sta. Box 368 02215	277-3454
Parents of Gays	542-5188 (days)
	426-9371 (nights)
Project Place	267-9150
Tapestry Counseling Inc., 20 Sacramento St., Cambridge.	661-0248

POLITICAL/LEGAL

BLAGMAR (Boston Lesbians and Gay Men Against the Right)	524-1512, 876-8768
Cambridge Gay Political Caucus, P.O. Box 218, E. Cambridge 02141	491-0968
Civil Liberties Union of Mass.	742-8020
GLAD (Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders, 2 Park Sq.	426-1350
Harvard Committee on Gay Legal Issues	
Roscoe Pound Hall, Cambridge, 02139	
Robin MacCormack, Mayor's Office	725-4009
Mass Gay Political Caucus	
Suite 407, 739 Boylston St.	242-3544
National Lawyers Guild, 595 Mass. Ave., Cambridge 02139	542-5415, 542-6837

STUDENT

BU Gays, c/o Program Resources Office	
George Herman Union, Boston University.	
Gay Academic Union of New England, P.O. Box 212, Boston 02101	661-8500
Gay/Lesbian Concern Group of Boston College	
P.O. Box L199, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167	661-4059
Gay People's Group, UMass/Boston (Harbor Campus), Bldg 1, 4th fl, Rm 178 287-1900x2169	
Harvard-Radcliffe Gay Student Assn.	498-7059
MIT Gays, Rm. 50-306	253-5440
Northeastern Gay Student Org., c/o Student Activities Office, 255 Eli Ctr.	
Tufts Gay Community, c/o Student Activities Office, Medford 02155	

WOMEN

Cambridge Women's Center	354-8807
Daughters of Bilitis, 1151 Mass. Ave., Cambridge 02138	661-3633
Gay Professional Women's Assn., Box 308, Boston U Sta., Boston 02215	
Janus Counseling for Lesbians, 21 Bay St., Cambridge	661-2537
Lesbian Liberation, c/o Women's Center	354-8807
Massachusetts Feminist Federal Credit Union	
186 1/2 Hampshire St., Camb.	661-0450
National Organization for Women	661-6015
99 Bishop Allen Dr., Cambridge 02139	
Tufts Women's Center	628-5000 x793
Womanspace	
636 Beacon St. (Kenmore Sq.)	267-7992
Women's Alcoholism Program, 1348 Cambridge St., Cambridge 02139	661-1316
Women's Community Health Center, 639 Mass. Ave., Cambridge	547-2302

RELIGIOUS

Am Tikva, P.O. Box 11, Cambridge, MA 02138	524-1890
Dignity, 355 Boylston St., Boston 02114	536-6518
Friends (Quaker) for Lesbian and Gay Concerns	776-6377
Integrity, P.O. Box 2582, Boston 02208	262-3057
Lutherans Concerned for Gay People	536-3788
Metropolitan Community Church	523-7664
Fr. Paul Shanley (Exodus Center)	964-0996
Unitarian Universalists Office of Gay Concerns	
25 Beacon St., Boston 02108	742-2100

MEDIA

Closet Space WCAS (740 AM)	
380 Green St., Cambridge 02139	492-6450
Esplanade	787-1084
Fag Rag	661-7534
Gay Community News	426-4469
Gay Way Radio (WBUR, 90.9FM)	353-2790
Good Gay Poets	367-9064
Hit Parade, 85 Appleton	268-5800

MEDICAL

Alcoholics Anonymous	426-9444
Fenway Community Health Center	267-7573
Gay AlAnon (families of alcoholics)	843-5300
Gender Identity Service	864-8181
Homophile Community Health Service	542-5188
Gay Nurses' Alliance-East, P.O. Box 530, Back Bay Annex, Boston 02117	
Mass Bay Counseling	965-1311
31 Channing St., Newton Corner 02158	
Sexual Health Centers of N.E., Inc., 739 Boylston St., Boston 02118	266-3444
Tufts Skin Care Clinic (VD treatment)	956-5293

BOOKS/BARS/BUSINESSES

Glad Day Book Shop, 22 Bromfield	542-0144
New Words, 186 Hampshire, Cambridge 02139	876-5310
Red Bookstore, 136 River St., Camb.	491-6930
The Bar (Disco Dancing, Mostly Men)	
252 Boylston St.	247-9308
Boston Eagle (Leather, Men)	
88 Queensberry St.	247-9586
Buddies (Cruise/Disco)	
733 Boylston St.	262-2480
Chaps (Denim, Men)	
27 Huntington Ave.	266-7778
Darts (Disco, Mostly Men)	
271 Dartmouth St.	536-6580
Delivery Entrance (at the House Restaurant)	
12 Wilton St.	783-5701
Harry's Place (Dancing, Men)	
45 Essex St.	338-8816
Herbie's Ramrod Room (Leather, Men)	
1254 Boylston St.	247-0989
Jacques (Mixed, Dancing)	
79 Broadway	338-9066
Napoleon Club (Men, Dancing Fri.-Sun.)	
52 Pledmont St.	338-7547
Paradise (Talking, Mostly Men)	
180 Mass. Ave. (Cambridge)	864-4130
Playland (Men, some Women)	
21 Essex St.	338-7254
119 Merrimac (Dancing, Men)	
119 Merrimac	523-8960

Saints (Women)	354-8807
Somewhere (Disco Dancing, Mostly Women)	423-7730
295 Franklin St.	
Sporter's Cafe (Men)	228 Cambridge St.
Together (Disco Dancing, Mixed)	
110 Boylston St.	426-0086
1270 (Disco Dancing, Mixed)	
1270 Boylston St.	261-1257
Wilbur's (Mixed, Dancing)	
54 Park Square	262-0750
Gay Business Assn., 21 Huntington Ave. 02116	247-3431

Eastern Mass. (617)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Martha's Vineyard Gay Group	627-8097
Montachusett Gay Alliance, P.O. Box 262, Fitchburg 01420	537-5780
North Shore Gay Alliance	
Box 806, Marblehead	927-2605
Provincetown 24-Hour Drop-in Center	487-0387
Survival Crisis Line	471-7100

RELIGIOUS

Christian Community Church, 112 Emerson, St., Haverhill 01830	363-2286
Dignity Merrimack Valley	
P.O. Box 348, Lowell 08853	851-6711

WOMEN

Everywoman's Center, Box 949, 14 Center St., Provincetown 02657 (4-6pm)	
Lesbian Support Group, Mercy Otis Warren Women's Center, 298 Main St., Hyannis 02601	771-6739
New Bedford Women's Clinic	999-1570
Origins, Inc., A Women's Center	
169 Boston St., Salem 01970	745-5873

MEDICAL

Gay People in Medicine, 23 Dover St., Worcester	756-9385
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STUDENT

Salem State Gay Task Force	
Salem St. College, Salem 01970	745-0556 (ext. 209)

Western Mass. (413)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Berkshire County Gay Coalition, P.O. Box 1562, Pittsfield 01201	447-7818
Help Line	664-6391, 664-6392
Together, Box 427, Forest Park Sta., Springfield 01108	

WOMEN

Common Woman Club, 78 Masonic St., Northampton 01060	584-4580
Everywomen's Center, Amherst	545-0883
Gay Women's Caucus, Amherst	545-3438
Southwest Women's Center	545-0626
Valley Women's Center, Northampton	586-2011

RELIGIOUS

Dignity/Springfield, P.O. Box 1604	
Springfield 01101	

STUDENT

Lesbian Union, 920 Campus Center, UMass, Amherst 01003	545-3438
People's Gay Alliance, RSO 368 Student Union, UMass, Amherst, 01002	545-0154

New Hampshire (603)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Nashua Area Gays, P.O.Box 3472, Nashua 03061	Dave 883-4337
NH Lambda, Box 1043, Concord 03301	
Concord 224-3785; E. Rochester 332-4440; Keene 399-4927; Nashua 889-1416.	

MEN

Central N.H. Men's Support Group	
31 Union St., Concord 03301	224-7027
Seacoast Gay Men	
P.O. Box 221 Portsmouth 03801	

WOMEN

Full Circle, monthly feminist news journal, P.O. Box 235, Contoocook, NH 03229	
Lesbian Feminist Collective, Box 47, Penacook	

STUDENT

Dartmouth Gay Students' Assoc.	
Hinman Box 5057, Hanover 03755	

Vermont (802)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Southern Vermont Lesbians/Gay Men's Coalition, 21 Elliot St., Brattleboro	254-8178
Washington County Gays	223-6843
P.O. Box 1264, Montpelier 05602	

WOMEN

Southern Vermont Women's Health Center, 187 N. Main St., Rutland, 05701	775-1946
Women's Center, P.O. Box 92 Burlington 05401	863-1236

RELIGIOUS

Integrity, P.O. Box 11 Winooski, 05404	
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STUDENT

Gay Hotline, U of VT	656-4173
Gay Student Union, U of VT, Burlington 05401, M-F, 7-9pm	656-4173

Maine (207)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Center for Being, Alternative Counseling Service	
South Bristol	644-8619

MEDIA

Mainely Gay, P.O. Box 4542, Portland 04112	
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MEN

Midcoast Gay Men	
P.O. Box 57 Belfast, ME 04915	

STUDENT

Wilde-Stein Club, c/o Memortat Union, U. of Maine, Orono 04473	
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Rhode Island (401)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Gay Help Line	751-3322
Gay Community Services of R.I., 44 Washington St., Providence 02903	751-3322

MEDICAL

Providence Gay Group of AA	333-1396
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WOMEN

Gay Women of Brown, c/o Sarah Doyle, Women's Center, 186 Meeting St., Providence, 02912	863-2189
Lesbian Feminist Union, Sarah Doyle Center	
Box 1829 Brown Sta., Providence 02912	863-2189
Support Group for Gay Women Over 25	
Box 755, Pawtucket 02860	942-5368

STUDENT

Brown Univ. Gay Students Assn., 305 Faunce House, Waterman Ave., Providence 02912	
Office hours: Noon-1pm weekdays	863-3062

RELIGIOUS

Dignity/Providence	724-0132
Box 2231, Pawtucket 02861	
MCC/Providence, 134 Matthewson St.	272-9247
MCC Innovative Ministry (terminally ill, aged and handicapped), Rev. Michael Nordstrom	272-8482

Connecticut (203)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Conn. Gay Task Force, P.O. Box 1139, New Haven 06505	436-8945
Gay Alliance, East, Conn., 37 Otrobando Ave., Norwich 06360	889-7530
Gay Switchboard, Hartford, M-F 11-2 pm, 6-11 pm, P.O. Box 514, Hartford 06101	522-5575
Gay Switchboard, New Haven, M-F 8-11 pm, P.O. Box 2031, Yale Station, New Haven 06520	436-8945
Gay Youth, P.O. Box 2031	
Yale Sta., New Haven 06520	436-8945
George W. Henry Foundation (counseling), 45 Church St., Hartford 06103	522-2646
Institute of Social Ethics/Gay National Archives, One Gold St., Suite 22-BC, Hartford 06103	547-1281

POLITICAL/LEGAL

So. Conn. Org. for Human Rights, P.O. Box 3792, New Haven 06525	562-1007
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WOMEN

Gay Women's Collective, c/o Women's Center, Box U-118, UConn, Storrs 06268	486-4738
Heartroots Feminist Therapy Collective, 214 Laurel St., Hartford 06105	747-5451
Lesbian Rap, New Haven, 148 Orange St., New Haven 06510	436-0645
Women's Center, Hartford, 57 Pratt St., Rm 301, Hartford 06103	525-2382
Women's Center, Manchester Community College, P.O. Box 1046, Manchester 06040	646-4900
Women's Center, UConn, Box U-118, Storrs 06828	486-4738
Women's Center, Wesleyan, Box WW, Wesleyan Sta., Middletown 06457	347-9411
Women's Liberation Center, New Haven, 148 Orange St., New Haven 06510	436-0645

STUDENT

Eros, Gay Students at Trinity College	
c/o Chaplain's Office, Hartford 06106	527-3151
Gay Alliance, New Haven (= Gay Alliance at Yale), P.O. Box 2031, Yale Sta., New Haven 06520	436-8945
Gay Alliance, UConn, Box U-8, Storrs 06268	486-2273
Gay Alliance, Wesleyan, c/o Women's Center, Box WW, Wesleyan Sta., Middletown 06457	347-9411
Gay and Lesbian Alliance, So. Conn. St. College, 386 Sherman Ave., New Haven 06511	865-2802
Gay Community, Conn. College	
P.O. Box 1295, New London 06320	
Lesbians, Wesleyan, c/o Women's Center, Box WW, Wesleyan Sta., Middletown 06457	347-9411
Yalesblans, P.O. Box 2031, Yale Sta., New Haven 06520	436-8945

RELIGIOUS

Dignity/Fairfield County, P.O.Box 348, Belden Sta. Norwalk, 06850	
Dignity/Hartford, P.O. Box 72, Hartford 06141	233-8325
Dignity/New Haven, P.O. Box 285, West Haven 06516	436-8945
Integrity/Hartford, P.O. Box 3681, Central Sta., Hartford 06103	522-2646
Integrity/New Haven, P.O. Box 1777, New Haven 06507	787-1518
MCC/Hartford, P.O. Box 514, Hartford 06101	232-5110
MCC/New Haven, P.O. Box 1273, New Haven 06505	436-8945

New York City (212)

INFORMATION/SERVICE/SOCIAL

Ass'n of Gay Social Workers, c/o Gay Switchboard Message Center, 110 E. 23rd St., Suite 502, 10010	777-7697
Chelsea Gay Association	
164 W 21st St. #1979 10011	989-6653
FOLKS (Friends of Little Kids	
Gay and Lesbian Blind, 110 East 23rd St. Suite 502, NYC 10010	
Gay Switchboard	777-1800
Gayellow Pages	
P.O.Box 292, Village Sta.	744-2785
Mirth and Girth Club	734-7748
New York Gay Prisoners Support Committee, P.O. Box 2, Village Station, 10014	677-0237
Oscar Wilde Memorial Bookshop, 15 Christopher St.	255-8097
SAGE, Inc.	
487A Hudson St. 10014	
West Side Discussion Group, 28 Ninth Ave. (at W.14 St.)	675-0143

POLITICAL/LEGAL

Committee of Lesbian and Gay Male Socialists	988-3012
Dykes & Tykes Legal Custody Center, Rm 502, 110 E. 23rd St., NYC 10010	777-8358
Gay Activists Alliance, P.O. Box 2, Village Station	877-0237

Gay Lawyers & Law Students' Group	
Postal Address: Law Group P.O. Box 1899	
Grand Central Station 10017	628-8532
Lambda Legal Defense, P.O. Box 5448, Grand Central Sta., 10017	532-8197
National Coalition of Gay Activists, P.O. Box A-711, Grand Central Sta., 10017	
National Gay Task Force, 80 Fifth Ave., Rm 1601	741-5800
National March on Washington	
156 5th Ave., Rm 505, 10010	

RELIGIOUS

Church of the Beloved Disciple, 348 W. 14th St., 10004	242-6616
Integrity-Episcopal Gay Society, GPO Box 1549, 10001	989-6653
MCC/NY, 201 W. 13th St., 10011	242-1212

MEDIA/ENTERTAINMENT

Gaysweek, 216 W. 18th St. 10011	929-7720
Gay Theatre Alliance	598-2597

STUDENT

New York U. Gay People's Union	
Leob Student Ctr, Rm 810	598-7056

MEDICAL

Gay People in Health Care	
74 Grove St. Rm 2RW, 10014	499-1453
National Gay Health Collective	
55 West 26 St. #402, 10010	725-0114

OCCUPATIONAL

CALENDAR

The deadline for Calendar Items is Tuesday at noon for the following issue.

sept 17 mon

Morristown, NJ — Gay Activist Alliance of Morris County discussion of the March on Washington. Unitarian Fellowship Church, 8:30pm.

Boston, MA — Weekly organizing meeting for the March on Washington at 7pm at the Glad Day Bookstore, 22 Bromfield St. Come and bring your friends.

Cambridge, MA — Planning meeting for the Sept. 27 lesbian/gay town meeting on "Is There Community After Sex?" 42 Bigelow St., Apt. 1 (off Mass. Ave., near Central Square). 7:30 sharp. Call Chris at 492-1411 (10-6) for more info.

18 tues

Boston, MA — GCN monthly membership meeting. All are welcome. 6:30pm, 22 Bromfield Street.

Cambridge, MA — Women's Community Health Center. Lesbian Self-help Group and a Basic Self-help Group (to help understand our sexuality better) begin today. To register call 547-2302 as soon as possible. Also there will be an Open House to learn more about the herstory of the Center at 5:30pm.

Salem, MA — North Shore Gay Alliance presents *Lesbian Masquerade* by Allan Berube. An illustrated slide show/lecture which is the history of some lesbians who passed as men in the '20s and '30s in San Francisco. Salem Auditorium, 210 Essex St., donation requested.

Concord, NH — The NH Coalition of Lesbians and Gay Men will hold an open meeting at 7:30pm to discuss the National March on Washington. Info. and sign-up sheets will be available for persons interested in bus transportation to D.C., as well as the Coalition's plans for fundraising and Congressional lobbying. Call (603) 224-7027 for more information and location.

Cambridge, MA — Boston NOW is presenting a panel discussion on birth control and other reproductive issues. A film about Margaret Sanger will also be shown. At 7:30pm at 7 Temple St., Central Square. For more info. call Boston NOW at 661-6015.

19 wed

Boston, MA — Chiltern Mt. Club. September meeting. Program on sailing. At Arlington Street Church. 7:30pm. Call (617) 227-6167 for more info.

Baltimore, MD — Haircut Benefit for Gay Community Services in Baltimore. 7pm 'til 10:30pm at Current Rage Salon, 34th & Charles (3333 N. Charles St.). \$8 donation.

Cambridge, MA — ClearSpace Men's Connection. Bob Connolly will speak on Alcoholism. A short film will be shown. At 7:30pm at 485 Mass. Ave., call 876-0215 for more info.

Boston, MA — Benefit for March on Washington at Wilbur's, Park Square. Come and bring your friends.

Boston, MA — Gay Speaker's annual meeting at 7:30pm at 19 Hemenway St., Look for Tobin/Brophy on the buzzer. Old and new business, election of officers and more. Call 354-0133 for info.

20 thurs

New York, NY — Committee of Lesbian and Gay Men Socialists at the School for Marxist Education. 833 Broadway, 8th fl. 7:30pm.

Boston, MA — Gay People's Group at UMass (Harbor Campus) will have its first meeting at Building 1, 4th floor, Rm 178 from 2:30-4:30pm. All interested people are welcome.

Boston, MA — Meet for a night of mad poster-ing throughout Boston and Cambridge for the March on Washington. All mad posters, street guerrillas, and enthusiastic activists and their friends welcome. Bring cars, tape, glue, to GCN, 22 Bromfield St. at 8pm.

Cambridge, MA — Get Acquainted with ClearSpace, benefit at Paradise, 180 Mass. Ave. from 7-12pm. Piano music Sing-a-long. \$3.00 donation at the door includes a free drink, cheese and crackers. 50/50 Gambo. Women and men. Call 878-0215 for more info.

Boston, MA — *Lesbian Masquerade: an informal history of lesbians in early San Francisco who passed as men* by Allan Berube, sponsored by UMass, Boston, Harbor Campus. Bldg 2, Rm 212. 1pm.

Cambridge, MA — Lesbian and Gay Caucus is sponsoring a dance at Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard, from 9pm on. Donation \$2.

21 fri

Boston, MA — Celebrate the Autumn Equinox. A free ritual of music and poetry. Bring whatever you want. For lesbians and gay men. Glad Day Bookshop, 22 Bromfield St., 2nd floor. 8pm. Free!

Cambridge, MA — Am Tikva, Boston's Jewish group for lesbians and gay men will hold a Rosh Hashanah service this evening. For more info call 524-1890.

Boston, MA — Chiltern Mountain Club. A week of climbing, backpacking and hiking in Baxter State Park, Maine. Call Roy Robertson for more info: (617) 661-0996.

Cleveland, OH — National Gay-Deaf Convention, Sept. 21-23. Write: Communications for the Deaf, 304 East 20th St., No. 2B, New York, NY 10003 for more information.

Philadelphia, PA — *Judgment of the Roaches*, a dramatic reading by Tommi Avicolli at the Gay Coffeehouse, 326 Kater St. 10pm.

22 sat

Boston, MA — Chiltern Mountain Club. Moderate day hike on Mt. Osceola in New Hampshire. Call Robert (817) 492-6333 or Bliss (803) 883-5583 for more info.

Cambridge, MA — Yard Sale to benefit Boston Bail Fund. 10am-4pm at the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass Ave. Clothes, furniture, housewares, records and books will be sold at low prices. Come and support the Bell Fund. For more info call 491-1575.

23 sun

Boston, MA — Gay Asians of Boston. Potluck lunch and rap group meeting at 102 Appleton St. 1pm. All Asian lesbians and gay men are welcome. For information call Siang Huat at 542-0144 or Lillian at 238-4710.

Boston, MA — Rep. Mel King will speak on "Politics for Social Change;" at the Community Church of Boston, 565 Boylston (Copley Sq.) 11am. The service is non-sectarian and free. Child care is available. Coffee hour and question period follow.

Northampton, MA — Western Mass Coalition for the March on Washington. Representatives from BLAGMAR (Boston Lesbians and Gay Men Against the Right) will lead a discussion and open forum on the New Right, anti-abortion and anti-ERA forces and their connection to gay oppression. 25 Main St., Chrysalis Workspace. 4pm. Open to all members of the gay community. Donation \$1.50. For more info call (413) 584-3394.

Cambridge, MA — Up From Under Coffeehouse presents Marla Diehl of the New Harmony Sisterhood Band at the Red Bookstore, 136 River St. (Central Square) at 3pm. Donation \$1.25 or bring baked goods.

weekly events sun

Boston, MA — CLOSET SPACE (WCAS AM-740). Join co-hosts Muffy Wheeler and Joe Martin and their guests at 10am.

New York, NY — Lesbian Feminist Liberation. Women's discussion. Women's center, 243 W. 20th St. 3pm. (212) 691-5460.

New York, NY — Men's rap for gay and bisexual men. Identity House, 544 6th Ave., 243-8181. 2:30pm.

Boston, MA — Gay Recreational Activities Committee (GRAC) will be sponsoring roller skating every Sunday. Call 282-9161 for details.

mon

Boston, MA — Gay Light Support Group for high school and college age women who are or are considering being lesbians. Arlington St. Church, 355 Boylston. 7-9pm. Join us for raps, projects and outings.

New York, NY — Gay Men's Health Project. Counseling, referrals, information, free VD testing. 74 Grove St. 7:30-10pm. (212) 891-6969.

Morristown, NJ — Gay Activists Alliance in Morris County meeting at the Unitarian Fellowship, Normandy Heights Rd. 8:30pm (201) 691-0388.

tues

Cambridge, MA — Daughters of Bilitis, organization for women, has discussion group every Tuesday at the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass Ave. 8pm. Call 861-3833 for information on DOB activities.

New York, NY — West Side Discussion Group. Women's discussions. 8:30pm. 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St. Social hour with refreshments follows. \$2 donation.

Boston, MA — GAY WAY (WBUR 90.9FM) Join co-hosts Ann Maguire and David Socia and their guests at 8:30pm.

New York, NY — Lesbian Mother Custody Center — Dykes and Tykes. Legal Custody Clinic. 110 E. 23rd St. Room 502. Appointments: 780-5777 or 777-8358.

White Plains, NY — Westchester Gay Men's Association weekly rap session and social at 255 Grove St. 8-11pm.

wed

Boston, MA — OUT HERE! Evening summer rap group organized by and for lesbian and gay youth 14-21 years old. Arlington St. Church, 355 Boylston. 7-9pm. Join us for an alternative to the bars to meet and talk about our lives.

Cambridge, MA — Daughters of Bilitis discussion group for women over 35 on the second Wednesday of each month. 8pm. Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass. Ave. Call 661-3633 for more information on DOB activities.

New York, NY — Chelsea Gay Association (last Wednesday only) meeting and coffeehouse at St. Peter's Church, 346 W. 20th St. 924-9434.

thurs

New York, NY — West Side Discussion Group. Men's and women's discussions. 20 Ninth Ave. 8:30pm. Social hour with refreshments follows. \$2 donation.

New York, NY — Gay Activists Alliance regular meeting at 339 Lafayette St. (near Houston) 8:30pm. All are welcome. Free!

Cambridge, MA — Daughters of Bilitis discussion group every first, third and fifth Thursdays of the month at the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass Ave. 8pm. Call 661-3633 for more information about DOB activities.

fri

New York, NY — Disco Coffeehouse Dance at 28 Ninth Ave. 10pm. (212) 691-4733.

sat

Boston, MA — OUT HERE! for lesbians and gay youth 14-21 meets from noon to 5pm at the Arlington St. Church, 355 Boylston. Join us for outings, raps, and projects.

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